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THE FOUNDER AND FATHER

OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF TWELVE, KNIGHTS

And Daughters of Tabor, which Convened in Grand Session in this City last Week—An Interesting Career.

Rev. Moses Dickson was born in the city of Cincinnati, O., April 5, 1824. His parents, Robbert and Hannah Dickson, were natives of Virginia. They moved to Ohio just three months before the subject of this sketch was born. Mr. Dickson's father died in 1832; his mother departed this life in 1838. She was truly a christian mother, and became a member of the first A. M. E. church that was organized in Cincinnati. Her children were all christened by Elder Wm. Paul Quinn a number of years before he was made a bishop.

Mr. Dickson had five sisters and three brothers—all have passed away—and he has not a relative living at this date. He learned the barber's trade with the well known William Darnes. While learning the tonsorial art he attended school and mastered all the branches of study that were taught in that early day. At the age of sixteen he felt a desire to see the South. He embarked on a steamboat and traveled for three years on various boats upon the different Southern rivers and bayous.

In these travels he saw slavery in all its horrors; he witnessed such scenes of monstrous cruelty that caused his African blood to boil with suppressed indignation at the sight of the outrageous suffering of his people. What he saw in these three years made a lasting impression on his heart, and he became a life foe to the slave owner, slave driver and slave trader. In his travels he made the acquaintance of a few true and trusty young men, who were ready to enter into any plan that would assure freedom to the African race. These men knew that the magnitude of the work would require time, courage and patience to make a success of any plan they might adopt. They resolved to take two years to study out a plan and meet in the city of St. Louis, Mo., the second Tuesday in the month of August, 1846, to prepare for business.

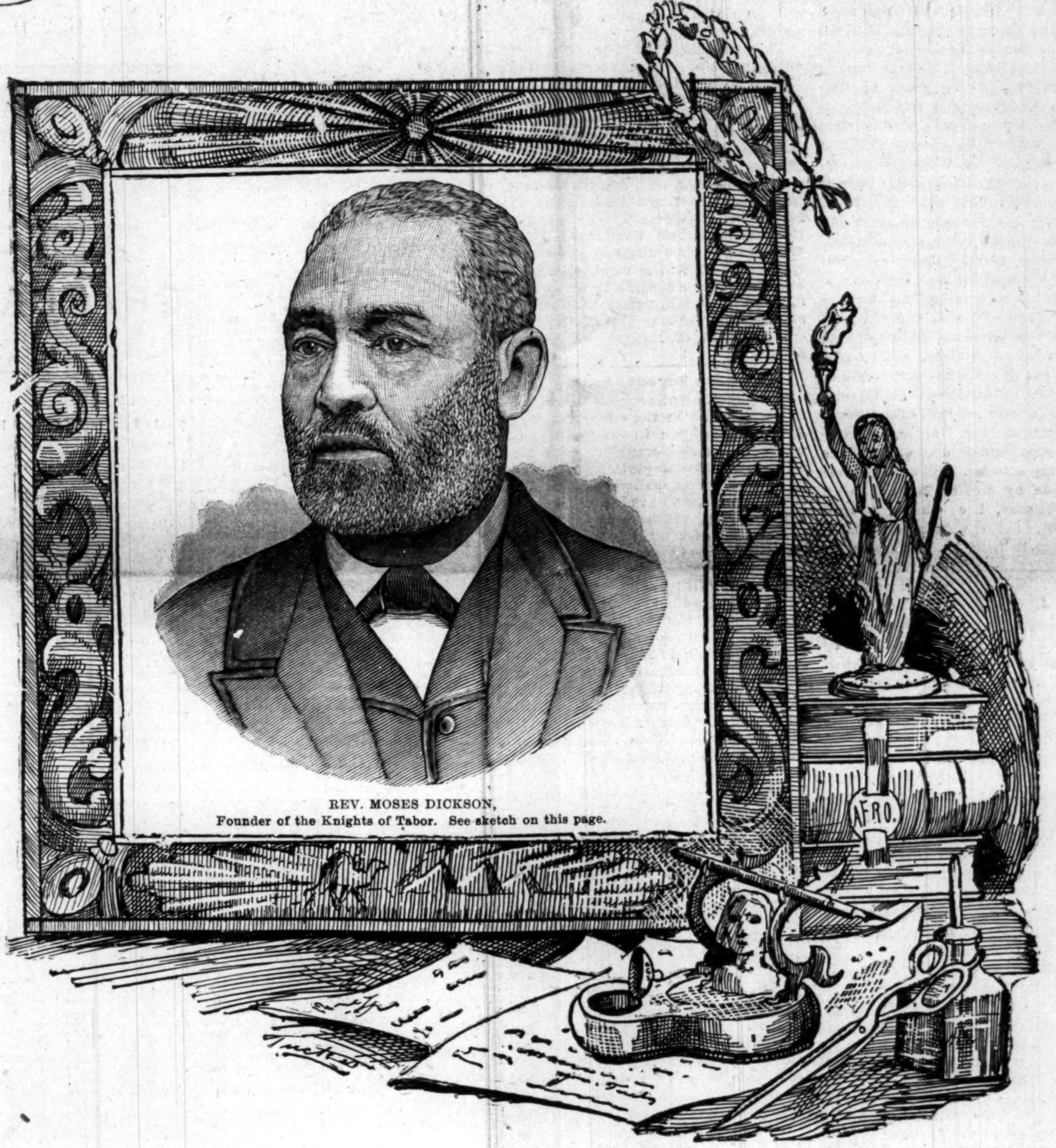
Mr. Dickson embarked on board of the steamer "Oronoco" in New Orleans, in the month of May, 1844, and made the trip to St. Louis, remaining in that city during the summer. For two years he traveled through Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin. August, 1846, he was in the city of St. Louis preparing to meet his young friends. He had in the meantime prepared a plan to be submitted to them. On the second Tuesday in August, as per agreement, twelve men assembled in the second story of an old brick house on the southeast corner of Green and Seventh streets. (The name of Green street has since been changed to Lucas avenue.) They were just the kind of men to carry to success the secret and great work of obtaining liberty for the bondsmen. Mr. Dickson read his plan for operating, and after a very careful discussion of all its parts, it was adopted. Organizations were secretly to be made in the Southern states. None but reliable, fearless men were to be enrolled. The organizers were to carefully pick the men that were courageous, patient, temperate and possessed of sound, common sense. This was what was required in every man that was enrolled. The oath that bound them together was so binding that it could not be broken. One feature of it was: "I can die, but I cannot reveal the name of any member until the slaves are free." This oath never was broken. All the matter pertaining to the business was finished and each man understood his part. Mr. Dickson was elected chief; he was to reman North and watch events and keep the members posted. Ten years was the time fixed on to open battle for freedom.

It will not be amiss now to give the names of the men, who, like the twelve Apostles, commenced the great work for liberty: John Patton and Henry Wright, in South Carolina; James Bedford and Silas W. Green, in Mississippi; Irvin Hodges, in Alabama; Peter Coleman and Willis Owens, in Virginia; James Orr, in Louisiana; Miles Graves, in North Carolina; Henry Simpson, in Georgia; Lewis Williams, in Tennessee, and Moses Dickson, their chief. These men, with their aides, formed organizations in all the slave states except Missouri and Texas. Silently, like the falling autumn leaves, the organizations multiplied, until in 1856, the army of true and trusty men numbered 47,240 Knights of Liberty.

Mr. Dickson will give, in another place, details of this wonderful organization, its secrecy, its mode of operation, its drill, the many incidents in its history, and why the battle was not opened in 1856.

One incident I must name: The first organization that was created under the distinct name of the Order of Twelve, was organized in the city of Galena, Ill., by Mr. Dickson, at the residence of Alfred H. Richardson in August, 1855. The secret work of the Knights of Liberty was imparted to this society.

This organization was known among its members by the name of Knights of Tabor—a name that gave the members courage. That God was with Barak and Deborah in Israel's great battle with the immense army of Sisera; they with only ten thousand men, assembled on Tabor to fight Jabin's army, and if possible, win the victory and break the bondage of the Israelites. God was with Israel, and gave the victory to the bondsmen, though they were opposed by twenty times their number. Our cause was just, and we believed in the justice of the God of Israel and the rights of man. Under the old name of Tabor, we resolved to make full preparation to strike the blow for liberty. We felt sure that the Lord God was on the side of right and justice, our faith and trust was in Him and that He would help us in our needy time.


REV. MOSES DICKSON,
Founder of the Knights of Tabor. See sketch on this page.

From the very origin of the organization of the Knights of Liberty, the necessity of secrecy was impressed on each member. Let not your right hand know what your left hand does; trust no one, and test every man before he is admitted to membership. A part of the oath was: "We can die, but can't reveal the name of a member, or make know the organization and its object." It was absolutely a secret organized body. We know of the failure of Nat. Turner and others, the Abolitionist in the North and East. The under-ground railroad was in good running order and the Knights of Liberty sent many thousand passengers over the road to freedom. They had a perfect organized system in their management of the under-ground railroad, with secret stations in nearly all parts of the Southern states, and their agents in the Northern and Eastern states. They could take a bondman or a whole family from any part of the South and safely land them in some Northern or Eastern state or Canada. Many of the old Abolitionists in the North and East can remember of having a family or individual bondman mysteriously knocking at their doors. The Knights had conveyed them thus far and left them in safe hands. We feel that we have said enough on this subject. If the war of the rebellion had not occurred just at the time it did, the Knights of Liberty would have made public history. Let the past sleep; enough has been said.

Mr. Dickson fixed his headquarters in St. Louis, Mo., in 1859, that he might be near the Knights of Liberty to guide their affairs. After the war was over, the work begun by the Twelve—seemingly his work for his people—was finished, but he could not rest; schools for Colored children must be opened. He with a number of other stalwart men, worked with energy in the lobby at Jefferson City, Mo. At length, under the administration of Governor McClurg, the present school laws of Missouri were adopted. Mr. Dickson's next move was to procure colored teachers for colored schools. It was a hard fight, but the move was a success. Now, throughout the State of Missouri, colored schools have colored teachers.

Mr. Dickson took an active part in the founding of Lincoln Institute, at Jefferson City, Mo. He was trustee and vice president of the Board for several years, and remained in the Board until the success of the Institute was a fixed fact. Mr. Dickson is a member of the Republican party, and he remains true to it. He was a delegate to every state convention of Missouri, from 1864 to 1878, and stumped the state several times in the interest of the party; he was elector-at-large on the Grant ticket in 1872, and did good work. Mr. Dickson was president of the Refugee Relief Board, in St. Louis, Mo., in 1878. This Board received and cared for about sixteen thousand men, women and children, who were fleeing from Southern oppression. The whole North and East was stirred up, and thousands of dollars were received by the Board from the East and North to aid the fugitives. This money, with hundreds of large boxes of clothing and provisions that were received, enabled the president and the board to send the refugees to their destinations comfortably clothed and with ample provisions to last them for several months. Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, and other Northern states received these fugitives from oppression. Mr. Dickson has not lost sight of them in the several states wherein they have settled. He finds them good citizens and doing well. Kansas received over ten thousand of them.

Mr. Dickson was converted and joined the A. M. E. church in 1866, and was licensed to preach in 1867. He has held large and small charges for a number of years, and has had invariably good success in the management of churches. He is know as a church builder, a debt-payer and a revivalist. Ninteen hundred and ninety persons have been converted in the different charges during his pastorship. Mother Dickson was a great help to him in his pastoral work.

The International Order of Twelve, of Knights and Daughters of Tabor, is an evidence of Mr. Dickson's skill as an organizor. The society that was organized by him in Galena, in 1855, disbanded in 1859. The Knights of Liberty had become extinct after the war of the rebellion. At the close of that war, not a man, so far as known, of that great number, returned from the battle field, except Mr. Dickson; he, as an independent fighter, was in thirteen hard fought battles, and returned home in 1864, not having received a scratch from the enemy's bullets.

In 1865, all that was found of the Galena Society were seven; their names are in the manual. In 1868 Mr. Dickson decided to create a beneficial order to perpetuate the memory of the twelve that organized the Knights of Liberty. After three years of preparation, in 1871, he was ready to commence the work. He organized a temple and tabernacle in Independence, Mo., a tabernacle in Kansas City, Mo., a temple and tabernacle in Lexington, Mo. With these five organizations a convention was called to meet in Independence, Mo., the second Tuesday in August, 1872. This convention organized the National Grand Temple and Tabernacle of the Order of Twelve, of Knights and Daughters of Tabor. The Child of Destiny was born and named. Mr. Dickson, with his usual energy and perseverance, pushed the work of organizing, aided by a number of Knights and Daughters.

The Order grew rapidly, spreading from state to state, gathering strength in its onward march. Mr. Dickson did not spare time nor money; he used all the means that were at his command to build a lasting beneficial order. Within twenty-four years this Order has taken its place and rank with the greatest colored organizations of the world It has had strong opposition at every step put forward; but, 'forward' was the motto. The father and founder has lived to see his work firmly fixed on a solid basis going onward, gaining strength daily, and a benefit to thousands. This order meets the necessities and wants of the colored people. It encourages christianity, it is the only secret order that has a law making it the duty of every member of the order to help to build up the christian religion. It shows the benefits of education, morality and temperance. It teaches the art of self-government, true manhood and womanhood. It recommends its members to get homes and acquire property and wealth.

Its benefits to its members are all that is desired, care of the sick and disabled members, relieve the distressed; honorably bury thy dead; endowments for the heirs of deceased members; to create a widow's and orphan fund; to provide a home for aged members and orphan children of Knights and Daughters of Tabor.

The following report is gleaned from the Triennial Grand Session, held in Boston, Mass., August 1896: 1—Organized in twenty-nine states. 2—Number of Knights of Tabor, 28,900. 3—Number of Daughters of Tabor, 82,850. 4—

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NEWS FROM THE FALLS CITY

ROUSSEAU CAMP, S. OF V., HOLD AN INTERESTING MEETING.

Negro Elected to the Office of Senior Vice-Commander—Annual Sessions of the Various Lodges and Societies—Social and Personal.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Rousseau Camp, Sons of Veterans, had quite an interesting meeting last Wednesday night. Most of the time was taken up in reading communications and discussing pro and con a large number of applications for membership. Capt. Wm. Martin, who has the distinction of holding the highest office ever given to the colored comrade in the state, that of Senior Vice-Commander, made some encouraging remarks; also by a committee of ladies from Rousseau Circle, ladies of the G. A. R., extended an invitation to the Camp to turn out in a body and attend their annual sermon Sunday, August 7th, at Rev. C. C. Bates' church, Preston and Lampton. The Ladies of Relief Corps had their annual sermon at Jackson street church last Sunday evening. The G. A. R. Picnic will be held on August 16th. W. H. Gibson's history of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. will be out Aug 1st. It will contain 225 pages. D. D. G. M., H. S. Smith is visiting the U. B. F. lodges in the western part of the state. The state grand lodge of Indiana will convene in New Albany, Ind, Aug. 3d. Much business of importance will be transacted. One of the most important topics for discussion is the establishment of a U. B. F. and S. M. T. Widows and Orphans' home at some point in Indiana. Great preparations are now being made by every lodge and temple to secure cheap rates, etc., for the delegates to the National Grand Lodge of U. B. F., which will be held at Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 24-28. More than sixteen coaches will leave loaded with members and friends from the Falls Cities. The funeral of George Reed took place last Sunday morning from Lampton Street Baptist church, Rev. C. C. Bates, officiating. He was a member of Teamsters' Union No. 1. The I. S. H. and D. of H. will celebrate their anniversary at Shelbyville, Ky., Aug. 4th. A large crowd will leave this city to attend. One of the imposing events in society circles this week was the matrimonial tie of Cromwall Clay to Miss Ella Clay at the home of the bride's mother on West Green street, Wednesday evening, Rev. E. D. Jones, of Jacob Street Tabernacle, officiating. They were the recipients of many fine and useful presents. Dr. F. G. Fowler is on the sick list. W. G. Moore is city agent for The Freeman, office 1218 Madison street. Look for him to-day for a collection. Mrs. Lizzie Blake has returned from Indianapolis, Ind. W. D. Johnson, of Lexington, Ky., was in the city this week. Mrs. A. J. Jackson will leave in a few days for a short visit to friends in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Valentine, 1734 Columbia street, are the recipients of a fine girl baby. Wm. Silkman was summoned to Lexington Wednesday night to make arrangements for the burial of his wife, who died Wednesday morning. Mrs. G. W. Burton will leave next week for Indianapolis and Chicago. She intends to make the latter place her home. The lawn fete, for the benefit of the Old Folks' home, at Mrs. Patsy Alexanders last Friday evening, was a grand success socially.

Brother W. H. Leonard is making a hard fight in the race for National Grand Master. Kentucky is entitled to the honor, from a corn crackers stand-point. The Knights of Friendship have their new rituals out. The delegation to the District Grand Lodge at Mt. Sterling, from Louisville, make a fine report of the progress for the G. U. O. of O. F., in Kentucky. They were entertained nicely. The following officers were elected for the year: Grand Master, W. H. Ross; Deputy G. M., W. H. Mansfield; Treasurer, Jno. H. Thompson; Secretary, J. J. C. McKinley; Grand Director, J. H. Holly. Nearly all officers for the coming year have from one to two H's in their names which stands for Honesty and Handy.

Brother W. H. Brown has returned from Lexington, where he went to attend the Grand Lodge of K. of P. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. L. V. Washington, of Louisville, Ky., G. C.; W. H. Ballard, of Lexington, V. G. C.; E. L. Bowen, of Louisville, G. P.; F. Thompson, G. M. E.; H. C. Smith, G. K. of R. & S; E. S. Turner, G. M.; James Ross, G. I. G; W. T. Griffith, G. O. G.; H. W. Conrad, Paris, G. M. R.; D. S. Miller, S. R.; Geo. Nugent, Louisville, Treasurer of Bureau of Endowment. They meet at Owensboro, Ky., next year. J. L. V. Washington leaves for Columbus, O., August 27, to attend the Supreme Council of K of P., and to try to get the session at Louisville in 1899.

Miss Cordelia Anderson, age 18 yrs. died last Saturday afternoon, at her home, 1516 Ohara street. 15th Street, 12th Street and Varvick Mission A. M. E. churches go to Sugar Grove to-morrow, Aug. 1. The members of these churches expect a grand time. W. H. Harris has returned from a trip to Nashville, Tenn. Prof. F. L. Williams succeeds Prof. J. M. Maxwell as principal of the Colored High School this year. Look for the collector to-day or Monday sure. Catalogues are out giving full information of the A. & M. fair, to be held here August 18, to 21. Rev. Evans Tyree has returned from his eastern trip, reports progress in the meetings he attended.

Personal.

Wish to correspond with an educated christian lady between the ages of eighteen and twenty-five years. CHARLES ROBERT, Jr.
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THE NATIONAL LEAGUE

OF REPUBLICAN CLUBS MEEETS—MEMBERS ARE ROYALLY

Entertained—A Review of the Workings of the League and Social Happenings—Officers Elected.

Detroit, Mich., Special.

Detroit had the pleasure of entertaining the delegates to the tenth annual convention of the National League of Republican clubs, and the representatives of the great energetic band of active young Republicans were royally entertained last week by the citizens of the "City of Straits" To speak to the point one must say: The convention was a success; its sessions were all interesting; the attendance was unusually large; the entertainment afforded the delegates was highly appreciated; the Afro-American delegates were much in evidence in all the deliberations.

And—but it is of the latter I desire to speak more fully. In fact, there would be no need of this article if it were not to speak of them especially. To one who has been an interested spectator at all of the great Republican gatherings for the past twelve years or more, it is most gratifying to note that the Afro-American representatives in this convention, although quite few in number as compared with the attendance at many other conventions that the writer has in mind, played not only an important part, but the force of their efforts and the effect of their votes were felt in every move made by the convention. They acted like men and were treated like brothers. To begin with they came in pairs and singly from the following states: Alabama, F. R. Davis, Huntsville; Arkansas, C. Middlebrook, Pine Bluff, and R. E. Jones, Little Rock; Louisiana, H. H. Blount, and A. N. Brown, New Orleans; contestants, C. C. Wilson, R. W. B. Gould, R. B. Johnson and Ed. Brown; Maryland, Messrs. Hueston, Parker, and Dr. Cargil, Baltimore; Michigan, D. A. Straker, Detroit; Missouri, Chas. Turner, Chas. Ellis and Chas. Quinton, St. Louis; Nebraska, Geo. W. Chivis, Omaha; North Carolina, J. C. Dancy, Salisburg; Ohio, Chas. Cottrill, Toledo, J. Lee, Cleveland; Tennessee, J. C. Napier, Nashville; Virginia, C. Corrigan, Richmond.

It will be seen that Louisiana, true to her record, furnished a contesting delegation. The seats of Messrs. Blount and Brown being contested by Messrs. Wilson, Gould, Johnson and Barnes, but the latter gentlemen arrived a little late, and Mr. Blount had so entrenched himself that notwithstanding the good fight of the quartet, the pair won, and no recognition whatever was shown the four good republicans who had come all the way from the gulf to the lakes in the interest of the League and Republicanism.

In the contest on the floor of the convention, Mr. Straker, of Michigan, championed the cause of the contestants and sought to amend the report of the committee on credentials and seat them all with one-half a vote each, but the chairman of the committee and Mr. Blount argued against it and were sustained.

The presence of able Afro-American was most in evidence when the resolutions were reported and their signal parliamentary victory was then scored from the floor of the convention. When the report of the committee on resolutions was read and nothing definitely was said about mob violence, the race representatives were not at all satisfied, and Mr. Straker got the floor to introduce, by way of amendment, a resolution relative thereto, but it was ruled out of order under the rules. Upon motion of Mr. Cottrill, of Ohio, however, ably supported by others, the committee was instructed to reconvene, consider and report a resolution on mob violence. They did so, and at the next session of the convention reported the following, which was unanimously adopted:

> We have full faith and confidence in our courts to execute the laws, punish all offenses speedily and with exact justice, and condemn lynching as destructive of good morals and a denial of justice.

In the matter of the selection of the president the sympathy and votes of the Afro-Americans were far reaching. From the start nearly every one of them favored the election of Mr. L. J. Crawford, of Kentucky, and in the spirited and close contest their voices were heard in his behalf—Messrs. Dancy and Napier ably seconding his nomination on behalf of their states—and their votes were the potential force that proved the balance of power and landed him a winner.

Baltimore wanted the convention for next year and wanted it badly, and the gallant trio of Afro-Americans, Messrs. Heston, Parker and Cargill, of the Maryland delegation, royally battled for the "Monumental City," and bearing aloft the black and gold of the oriole, promised all sorts of good treatment for their brothers in black next year—but a taste—no a feast of the treatment due all good American citizens and accorded every delegate alike by Michigan citizens contrasted so greatly with the promises made by other Southern convention seekers that the Afro-Americans favored Omaha, and must be given the credit for the Western victory. Mr. Davis, of Alabama, leading off with 36 votes for the "Corn" state, showing that the South was not a unit for Baltimore, much to the disgust of the Marylanders. This pointed to their defeat, and next year the convention will be held in the state of the "Boy Orator of the Platte," and show in the hot bed of Populism that he is not the only boy orator on the stump.

N. C. Dowling, who was re-elected secretary by a most complimentary vote, thought so much of the support of his Afro-American friends that he invited them to be his guests for the afternoon of the 15th, and entertained them in a trolly ride to the Detroit Driving club's races at Grosse Point, where it was their good fortune to see the "guideless wonder," Marion Mills pace a mile without a driver in the unequaled time of 2:04¾.

Mr. Cottrill, of Toledo, acted as an assistant secretary of the convention and his efficient work received the marked complement of his being re-elected upon special motion. Among the other officers are John C. Dancy, a vice-president for North Carolina, and J. C. Napier and F. R. Davis, members of the National Executive committee for Tennessee and Alabama respectively. Mr. Napier, on behalf of the management of the Nashville Exposition, read a telegram to the convention cordially inviting them to attend.

Besides the general entertainment afforded the delegates in the trolly ride about the city on the 13th, the boat ride across Lake Erie to the Flats on the 14th, and the sight seeing from the roof of the great 14-story Majestic building, and the Michigan club's elevated and cozy headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce building, all of which "our" delegates and friends partook and enjoyed. Detroit Afro-Americans both individually and collectively were alert to serve the visitors and make their stay pleasant.

On Tuesday evening the "Mysterious Fifteen" entertained the delegates and a few friends in a "stag," at the residence of Theo. Finney, and the good cheer of that evening, together with the interchange of ideas, will long be remembered by all who were present. Chas. Webb, on behalf of the "Mysterious" gentlemen, welcomed the guests and called upon Mr. Napier, of Nashville, who responded in an appropriate and happy manner. Short speeches were made by Messrs. Middlebrooks, Dancy, Turner, Lee, Chivis, Corgill and Gould, of the visiting delegates, and Robert Pelham, jr., of those present not "mysterious."

The following evening the delegates and Mrs. J. C. Napier, who accompanied Mr. Napier to the city, were entertained after their return from the flats at the residence of Robert Pelham when a number of ladies and gentlemen met the delegates in social intercourse. The afternoon of the last day of their stay in Detroit was given up to many hours of entertainment, the individual delegates being entertained at dinner by drives about the city and to Bellevue Park and in other ways, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Napier and others dining with Prof. Straker. In closing it is but due the local committeemen to say that every one did his part well. Serving on the different committees were: Representative J. H Dickinson, Hon. W. W. Ferguson, B. B. Pelham, C. R Webb, W. H. Stowers, R. J. Willis, Jesse Crawford, also an alternate delegate from the first district of Michigan, and Robert Pelham, jr., and Dr. Jas. W. Ames, the latter two gentlemen being especially active in the entertainment and welcoming committees.

A Noble Work.

From the Omaha Christian Advocate.

There is no one in Omaha or vicinity who has not heard of Mr. N. J. Smith, founder of Rescue Home. He has for a number of years, devoted a large share of his time to the work of rescuing the fallen, furnishing aid to those in distress and helping in every way possible those in trouble. He has been in poor health for several years, but all will be pleased to learn that his health is now much better and he is able to take active charge of the mission work, to which he now devotes his entire time.

On January 1st, 1897, he writes as follows: "I have been troubled for several years with a bad cough. I had lung chills and slight hemorrhage of the lungs and was threatened with consumption. My mother and two sisters have died with consumption, I expected the same fate; but I tried Dr. Kay's Lung Balm, prepared by Dr. B. J. Kay Medical Co., Omaha, Neb., and two 25c boxes have entirely cured me of my cough and soreness of my lungs. That tired, sleepy and drowsy feeling is all gone and my appetite is now good. I feel well and full of life. I can work night and day and do not feel tired, Praise the Lord for the help it has given me. I write this hoping if any read it who are similarly afflicted and have been unable to get help from any other sources that they will try this excellent remedy, which I believe to be the best cough medicine of which I have any knowledge."

N. J. Smith.

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PLENTY OF CHALK.

Great Block That Was Once as Large as the Continent of Europe.

The small piece of chalk which is in constant use in the schoolroom, the lecture room, the billiard room and the workshop has a strange history, the unraveling of which through all its complexities is one of the most difficult problems with which the science of the present day is called upon to deal. This piece is in reality a chip of an immense block of chalk that once filled an area the size of the continent of Europe, and of which even yet several gigantic fragments remain, each hundreds of square miles in extent. These patches are scattered over the region lying between Ireland on the west and China on the east and extend in the other direction from Sweden in the north to Portugal in the south.

In the British Isles the chalk is found in greatest perfection and continuity in the east and southeast of England. A sheet of chalk more than 1,000 feet in thickness underlies all that portion of England which is situated to the southeast of a line crossing the island diagonally from the North sea at Flamborough Head to the coast on the English channel in Dorset. This enormous sheet of chalk is tilted up slightly on the west, and its depressed eastern portions that dip toward the waters of the North sea are usually buried from sight by means of overlying sands and clays. Where the edges of the chalk floor come upon the sea the cliff scenery is strikingly grand and beautiful. Any one who has once seen the magnificent rocks of Flamborough and Beechy Head, the jagged stacks of the Needles or the dizzy mass of Shakespeare's cliff, near Dover, can understand why "the white cliffs of Albion" has grown into a stock phrase.

This massive sheet of chalk appears again in France, in many other parts of Europe as far east as the Crimea, and even in central Asia beyond the sea of Aral. How far it stretched westward into what is now the Atlantic may never be known, but chalk cliffs of at least 200 feet in thickness are seen at Antrim, in Ireland, and less conspicuous formations are found in Scotland, in Argyll and Aberdeen. There can be little question that all these now isolated patches were once connected in a continuous sheet, which must, therefore, have occupied a superficial area about 3,000 miles long by nearly 1,000 broad, an extent larger than that of the present continent of Europe.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Two New England Churches.

There are Catholic communities, both in America and in the old world, says Alvan F. Sanborn in The Atlantic, where an extreme wretchedness in the dwellings is at once partially explained by the richness and beauty of the churches. But not so in Dickerman. On the contrary, both the Dickerman churches are of a piece with their surroundings. The Congregational church, more than a century old (Orthodox is the name it still goes by), was a worthy structure in its day and would be so yet had it been kept in good repair. Alas, it is only the ghost of its former pretentious self. Its sills are badly rotted. Its spire and belfry have been shattered by lightning and imperfectly restored. Its roof is leaky, the clapboards of its walls are warped and blistered, and its heavy bell, once sweet of tone, is cracked and dissonant. The Baptist church, built only a few years ago, mainly at the expense of a church building society, is one of the shoddily constructed many gabled atrocities due to the malign influence of the so called Queen Anne restoration. Its original coat of paint of many colors has mostly soaked into the surrounding soil. Its panes of stained glass, as they have been broken from time to time, have been replaced by ordinary window glass, with piebald uncanny results.

Famous Collection of Antlers.

Of the famous collections of antlers formed in the seventeenth century only two or three have escaped the general fate of conflagrations, sieges and pillage. One of these is in Moritzburg, the king of Saxony's historical hunting castle, near Dresden, while in the celebrated gun gallery in Dresden itself are to be seen, in an unrivaled show, the wonderfully inlaid arms used by the elector.

The great banqueting hall of the castle of Moritzburg is one of the sights with which no doubt many a traveled reader has been charmed. It is a chamber of noble proportions—66 feet long by 34 feet wide and 38 feet high. On its otherwise unadorned white walls hang 71 pairs of magnificent antlers, which one may describe as the most famous of their kind in the world. Not a single one carries less than 24 tines or is less than 200 years old, while some are probably double that age.—W. A. Baillie-Grohman in Century.

Making Soups From Fruit.

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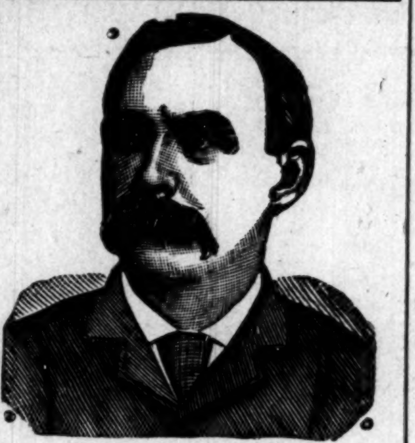

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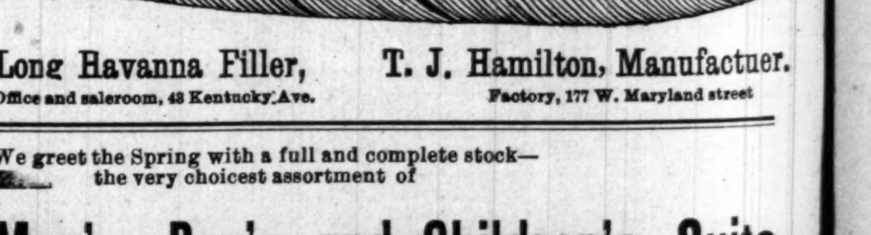

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SOCIAL EQUALITY DISCUSSED

IS THIS WHAT THE NEGRO DEMANDS?—IS IT ATTAINABLE?

The Progress of the Race—A Remarkable Feature—"Prejudice" a Great Barrier—Unmovable by Man's Hand.

I am forced from the actual condition of things to render a positive, negative answer to both propositions of the subject here under consideration. I do so, however, not without considerable diffidence upon my part. While answering the query as I do, I am fully aware that I do not express the opinion of all members of my race, but it is safe to say that I voice the sentiments of at least three-fourths of the thinking part of it. There seems to be a very wide difference of opinion among various classes of people throughout the entire length and breadth of this great country as to just what ground is covered by the phrase—social equality. Some believe it to be in the power of the government to establish, while others believe that a high degree of education and refinement will bring it to pass. Quite a few are firmly of the opinion that concentration and posession of wealth will permanently cure the dreaded malady of social discrimination and establish in its place strict social equality. But I for one am firmly of the opinion that a strict social equilibrium of races has never, will never and can never be permanently and successfully established. If so, history fails to record the fact ot it ever being accomplished. (I mean of course in a strict social sense without limit or restriction from any source or in any form.)

Neither education or refinement can permanently establish an equal social station of races distinctively different from each other, though it may be admitted for argument's sake that they are both powerful auxiliaries or agents in the consideration of social relations and privileges. Yet it must be admitted also that they lack the true elements essential to the revolution of long established and now existing social conditions and prejudices, which are imbeded almost in the formation of mankind, which neither education or refinement have yet attempted to erase from the pages of history. Note if you please the unequalled progress of the race since its emancipation from slavery. The glorious achievements of the race illume up on every side in every walk or avocation of life. They have dazzled the civilized world with astonishment, and to-day she stands with outstretched arms, shoulder to shoulder, the peer of any race or nation upon the globe from an educational and refined point. Though shackled and handicapped by opposition upon every hand, with avenues closed against her, scarcely without aid or friends, with enemies and persecutors upon every hand, without a murmur or complaint, she has withstood the attack, disproven the evidence of her accusers and has attained a height never reached by any other race in so short a period.

The Negro with education and refined, moral, culture and intellectual development has produced in less than thirty-four years a true type of every thing that the white race has produced since the discovery of America or in 400 years at least. (President excepted.) They have produced a Dr. Talmage; we have produced a Dr. Murry. They have produced a George Washington; we have produced a Frederick Douglass. They have produced a Prof. Harvey; we have produced a Prof. Scarborough. They have produced a statesman, Daniel Webstef; we have produced a statesman, John M. Langston. They have produced a Chas. Sumner; we have produced a John R. Lynch. They have produced a General Grant; we have produced a General Maceo. They have produced a Napoleon Bonaparte; we have produced a Toussaint L'Overture. They have produced their presidents; we have produced material for them. They have produced a John L. Sullivan, and we have produced a Peter H. Jackson, We have demonstrated our capacity for education, our patriotism in national peril and conflict and our ability for administration and still we are not one whit nearer social equality than we were at the beginning. Education and refinement may be chief agents in the solution of social problems and in the settlement of social disputes, but they can neither bring nor establish social equality of races where racial prejudices stagnates the blood of the nation, corrupts the legislative halls, reverses the decisions of supreme courts and sets itself up as supreme monarch and ruler.

First, education cannot, has not, and will not bring social equalization. It may aid in covering up some of the minor defects, and render less offensive the stronger tendencies of discrimination, but the prejudice itself is imbedded in the very formation of man, and can never be eradicated by education, nor nothing less than the power of God and heaven. The more educated a man becomes, the more he finds in his race to stimulate him to racial pride and social distinction (if not to unjust social discrimination.) He reads with complete satisfaction and pride the achievements of his race, and looks with contempt and disdain upon the handiwork and achievements of other races. He beholds only the good of himself, so to speak, and the evil of others. He sees within easy grasp of his race a foreboding star of future power, success and fortune. He beholds at the same instant the glory of other races fading and falling. To him their zenith appears to have been reached, and their decline is rapidly beginning.

To him there is no glory or honor in extending the hand of social aid and equality to a fallen hero. He rather seeks to throttle the faint—to try if possible to extinguish the little ray of hope that yet remains. He prides himself on victory and conquest. He exalts his race to the highest summit of their lofty flight and disparages the condition of the fallen victim. He tightens his grasp on the little opportunity that presents for the first time its friendly hand to aid him. He resolves to make sure its capture and delights in the prospects of his progress and prosperity. To him there is no future for any race, save the one to which he belongs.

I ask will man under those conditions extend a friendly hand to aid in social equalization? Nay! Nay! a thousand times nay! Human nature is not built on that platform. She is not modelded after that godly principle. Where humanity cries out help! help! Selfish nature takes up the strain and responds nay! nay! Not I, not I. She laughs only to scorn the folly of such pleadings, and by silent inaction a denial is sounded in thunder tones from the poles to the equator, and the fallen is left to its pitiable condition without aid or succor from the lofty or exalted. Here begins a deadly conflict, a struggle for mastery, and come as you will, come as you may—educated and refined, but your pace is set and your distance limited A keen perceptive sense of refinement cannot produce strict social equality, for it stands in direct contrast to such procedure as is involved in social equalization, the very highest degree of refinement attainable either in morals or ethics, is but a keen sense of duty and devotion to the source or race from which it springs. Back to that ancestry it dates its origin. Back to that foundation she flies to replenish her store-house, and back to that reservoir of knowledge she goes for all that is good and noble, either in man or nation.

The more refined a race or nation becomes, the more sacred becomes the observance of race unanimity, and the more distasteful (it not wholly disloyal and disgraceful) becomes the acts and records of national intermingling and marrying. Strictly refined society looks with profound disgust and contempt upon such rites, modes or customs (whether black or white.) She discountenances it as being sacred in any sense, or as being approved either in the sight of God or humanity. She very seriously questions the divine intention of God whither it was ever so intended from the beginning, and I must confess that the burden of proof is largely in favor of a negative theory. Ancient history particularly bears me out in this statement. Nor does the perpetuation or establishment of social equality lie within the function of government, for all just government derives its just powers from the consent of the people governed (and is subject to the will of the majority, which is largely against us) and hence a just government can usurp no power either to foster or thwart prejudiced technicalities. True that government is established for the promotion of happiness, for the preservation of life, and the general welfare of its people, both collective and individual. But she is by no means pledged either to originate or establish a thing which seems from its very nature contrary both to morals and to reason, a thing perverse in its very formation fostered by the frivolity of unscrupulous society and nurtured in the arms of legislation. I freely admit that most things lie within the function of government to remedy, but some things do not, and social equality is enumerated among the latter class. Legislators may legislate, congressmen may enact statutes, but strict social equality remains yet to be established. Wealth cannot bring it to pass, for it is the wrong agent in the wrong capacity. The wealthier a nation becomes, the haughtier it becomes in equal proportion, as she ascends the ladder of wealth. She also ascends the ladder of haughtiness, pomp, pride, and selfishness, forgetting under natural conditions that other races live under her as good by nature as she, and perhaps far better in other respects. Wealth, then, is the last agent to employ for such a reform as is here mentioned, as has been well said her principles are too adverse to suit the conditions under which she would have to labor, too haughty to humiliate herself to a plane level necessary for such a reform.

Then in considering the last proposition of the subject. "Is Social Equality Desirable in this County?" I aver that it is not. The average Negro neither asks nor expects social equality. I care not for social equality so far as it relates to a scientific discussion (or meaning) of the phrase. Neither does the majority of the Negro race. It is not social equality that he wants, but it is chance equality that he needs and should have, and protection equality which belongs to every being of creation. Chance equalization of rights and privileges, an equal chance with other men, regardless of race, color or creed, a chance to attain ability, and a chance to perform and operate, after attainment; a chance to learn how to do and something to do, irrespective of the color of his skin or the texture of his hair, if a man give him a fair chance to prove it.

I for one ask not for social equality, nor for equality social, but for equality of opportunities, for equality of rights and for justice before the laws of the land. These lie within the power of government to accord. These lie within the sphere of morals, society and refinement. Accord me these God-given rights and privileges, and I am ready to go forth into the world and battle for life and death. Only remove from our shoulders the weight, prejudice, which handicap me as an individual and my people as a race, and offer no further opposition or restriction, and we will demonstrate to the world that a man has, a man can, and a man will surmount the ladder of fame and fortune, unhandicapped, unopposed and unrestricted, whether he be black or white, bond or free.

G. L. Coleman,
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No, Maude, dear, all Cornishmen are not chiropodists. Don't be silly.

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The grass cutter may not be rich, but he handles plenty of the long green.

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The bass singer may be very swell, but it takes a tenor to be really high toned.

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"Here's where I get the shake," remarked the seive as the servant girl came down the cellar.

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It makes no difference to the glazier how cloudy the day is. He can always make the skylight.

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De Tanque—"Did you ever see double?" Old Soak—"Once, in a mirror, I was quite beside myself."

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Nell—"How did you come to get shoes just like mine?" Belle—"I couldn't afford to buy good ones, dear"

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"Et am not until a man am de fader ob a bouncin' boy," says Brother Watkins, "dat he knows de ups and downs of life."

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Blobbs—"Why did you throw that bottle of patent medicine away?" Slobbs—"Well, the directions say to shake before taking, and I thought I would."

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A Spruce street tot went to the country, and seeing the feathers on the rooster's legs, wrote home: "Dear Mamma: Even the chickens up here wear bicycle pants."

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English as She is spoke.—Smith—"Get onto the strawberry blond," Jones—"She's just my huckleberry." Brown—"A peach, isn't she?" Robinson—I'm sorry I canteloupe with her."

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Mr. Wigwag—"Who is the hero of the novel you are reading?" Mrs. Wigwag—"An expert accountant. Funny, isn't it." Mr. Wigwag—"Oh, no. Those fellows always figure in books."

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"I have bought myself a safety today," remarked Mr. Newlywed. "Oh, you mean thing!" exclaimed Mrs. Newlywed; "Why didn't you buy me one, too?" "Because you don't shave," replied the brute, as he produced a razor.

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Liza—"Rastus, is yo' goin' to lub me when I'm ole?" Rastus—"Now Liza, how often yo' think Is'e goin' to tell yo' dat I lubs yo' now?"

Colored Women to Meet.

The National Association of Colored Women will hold its annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn., beginning Wednesday Sept. 15th and continuing through the 17th. Each club connected with the association is expected to send at least one delegate.

TENNESSEE CENTENNIAL

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THE PORTER HIS BOOTJACK.

A Struggle In a Pullman Which Interested the Car.

A traveler recently witnessed an amusing episode on a train between Chicago and Kansas City. A very respectable and well to do old gentleman was in the car. When bedtime came, he struggled with his boots. He first put one foot on his knee and tugged. As he was traveling his boots were new. The boot wouldn't budge in that position, so he placed the toe of the other boot against the heel and tried it that way. The boot stuck. Then he hooked his foot around the other leg and took hold of the heel and tried to "work" it off, but it wouldn't come. At last he went in search of the porter and demanded a bootjack.

"Clar to goodness, boss, ain't got one in de cyah. Unc' George don't funnish us no bootjacks."

Sympathizing passengers tried to think the old man out of his troubles, and a drummer, as usual, brought forth the best suggestion:

"Make the porter pull them off," he said.

So the porter took off his jacket and turned back his cuffs and went to work. He tugged and pulled and seesawed the boot back and forth and perspired and grunted, but the boot wouldn't move. The drummer filled the breach again.

"I used to pull my grandfather's boots off sometimes when I was a boy," he said. "Tell you how I did it. Turn round," he said to the darky. The darky turned. "Now take the boot between your legs, grasp the heel and toe and yank." The darky did so. The old gentleman clung desperately to the seat. The boot began to move and finally slid off, almost throwing the puller across the car. The crowd applauded.—Kansas City Star.

LEAN MEAT.

It Sometimes Contains as Much as Seventy-eight Per Cent of Water.

Lean meat, it may surprise many to learn, is much more watery than fat meat. This may be illustrated by the statement that very lean meat may contain as much as 78 per cent of water, while very fat pork may contain only 10 per cent. The flesh of fish is more watery than ordinary butcher meat. Thus salmon contains five-eighths of its total weight of water, cod four-fifths and flounders six-sevenths.

Among the foods which may be cited as containing but a small percentage of water, and consequently as dry food, are flour and oatmeal, and sugar is a food entirely devoid of it. The animal body has often been aptly likened to a machine, and, like all machines, it requires fuel to keep it working. Now this fuel it obtains from the food which we eat, and in default of food the animal tissue itself is drawn upon. Food, therefore, keeps the animal body warm and yields the muscular energy necessary for the accomplishment of the work which the body does. In this capacity the three classes of food nutrients may all be concerned.

The value of a food may be estimated in terms of the amount of heat it will give rise to. The most concentrated food fuel is fat. When fat is burned, it gives rise to twice as much heat as is given by the burning of either the albuminoids or the carbohydrates. Fatty foods, therefore, possess a much greater heating value than nonfatty foods.—Philadelphia Times.

Named the Fabrics.

At a very early period in the northern republics of Italy commerce and manufacture became very active, due in a great measure to the stimulus given by the maritime supremacy of the cities of Genoa, Pisa and Venice and to the corresponding activity in trade in such prosperous interior cities as Milan, Florence, Bologna and Padua. Milan and Mantua gave us milliners and mantua makers, and Leghorn attached its name to a certain kind of hat and straw.

England, Ireland and Scotland have given a number of names to fabrics made in certain localities, of which tweeds, cheviots and linsey woolsey are familiar examples. Worsted comes from the village of Worsted, near Norfolk, and drugget may be traced to Drogheda, Ireland.

Other materials of diverse origin are batiste, so called from its French inventor, Baptiste, and grenadine, which was first made in Grenada. The derivation of the word jet is quite interesting. It was first found near the river and town of Gagas, in Asia Minor, whence its old French name, gagate, jayet or jaet, which eventually developed into the English jet.

Ancient Thermopylæ.

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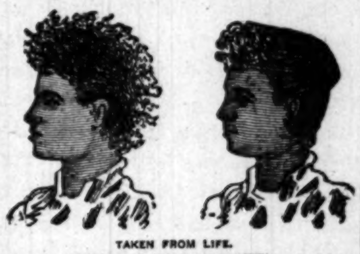

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THE LYNCH LAW.

"I know a spot on which a bed post grows,
And I do remember where a roper lives."
—[John Kemble.

Right apropos to the lynching system in vogue in some sections of our beloved America are the lines above. Last week there transpired what, it is hoped, will not occur very soon again, nor often. Three Negroes accused as of old, paid the penalty of their folly or suffered at the hands of some evil minded white people, who as a rule, are too gluttonously greedy to devour any cock and bull story set up by one of their kind. This old cry of Rape! Rape! Rape! is becoming thread bare and "chestnutty." Rape like other crimes will adorn the criminal calendar very often in the course of a decade; but the crime gives evidence of being "worked." It is not reasonable to suppose that all of this alleged raping could be so successfully carried out were there determined resistance on the part of the alleged victims. If force is the great arbiter then we should have a larger list of disfigured bodies and casualities testifying to this kind of persuasion. If a virtuous woman is willing to die in defense of her virtue, we should see more evidence of that defense. Not that we condone the offense when actually committed, but in absence of properly constituted courts to investigate these very serious charges we take the liberty to deny the truthfulness of two thirds of these accusations. These admissions of guilt, say they. To whom admitted, say we. A death bed testimony taken under duress while the patient is still active and normal is not indicative of anything and furthermore these admissions to men, every one a sworn foe with axes suspended over the victims head, cannot be classified as confessions that courts take cognizance of. These bastard organizations, rump courts are there for the express purpose of making a "great" case. Small chance is there of getting an expression through those phalanxs of prejudices that promises good to a shambled Negro. No, it is not expected; the long haired "varmints" are masters of the situation, and they give out such reports as will put them in the light of social scavengers. But why this redoubled vigor along the lynching lines? It was felt that silver lining of hope had begun to loom up amid the low threatening clouds of giant despair that hovered so close in the wake of the race. We thought as much and we think so still. The fringe of time is on that promises forever to dissipate the baneful lines of race prejudices in this country. The tide is on that bids fair to sweep into oblivion that hateful hiatus of race isolation. As it is said of the Bermuda Islands the Negroes are rapidly Europeanizing. The Negrophobist or Negro hater is in dire straits of desperatism, who like the gambler is staking their all on the last throw of the die. His occupation is about gone.

"Yet it will come, the day decreed by fate."

The thousands of young faces many shades lighter than those of two decades ago tell their own story. A terrible state of miscegenation is going on illicit or other wise, the proof of which is all too very apparent for dissembling. Who is answerable to this late condition of affairs.? Surely not the black alone. Desdemona, the fair, loved the strong, black Othello. Perhaps she saw in him, the antipodes which provided paradoxically as it may appear, an affinity. Perhaps she choose, not so much for his stories of hair breadth escapes, as for the great strength represented by his massive black form as a complement for the pale unsunned color of her own race. Rare philosophy doubtless, but the fact is that there is something at the root of it all, the proof of which is so abundant. Wolfe! Wolfe! was very often the cry; but quite as often it was no wolfe. Who will hang the white man that rapes the Negro woman? Or who will cry rape when their illicit loves are found out? Cite the case of a white man suffering for tresspassing on Negro preserves. We opine that there are a great many little discrepancies that need the great search light of day. Depredations are not to be committed on one side and held as indiscretion while on the other, such depredations are unpardonable sins.

HON. R. T. GREENER OF NEW YORK.

We feel it a pleasure to say a word in honor of Hon. R. T. Greener whose eminent worth is recognized by all who have anything to do with the political affairs of this country from a national standpoint. He is a ripe scholar, a university man, who has broadened his views and abilities by actual contact with men and affairs. Although hailing from another state, we cannot shut our eyes to the facts that render Mr. Greener such an acceptable quantity. His heroic services during the campaign, in which tour was included the precarious state of Kentucky, is well known. We understand he is not void of ambition. He desires to represent his country as envoy to one of the South American Republics. His very distinguished abilities aptly fit him for the diplomatic service. He should be ably seconded in his very laudable ambition which cannot fail to satisfy the government and at the same time reflect great credit on the race. We feel that if only the few are to be recognized, they should be from that class that will shed luster on the race leaving no room for obloquy and contempt. We have a number of such men; they should be the ones selected. Mr. Greener not only stands for much in himself but he is largely interested in the organizations of his race. This from a political stand point should yield largely in his behalf. He has recently been appointed National Grand Organizer of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. east of the Mississippi, which numerically speaking are the strongest Negro organizations of this country. He is also Lieut. Grand Commander of the A. and A. S. K. for the Southern and Western jurisdiction and Deputy Asst. Rabbon of the Mystic Shrine for N. and S. America. Take it all in all it is to be seen that the selection of Greener for the inportant post he desires will carry satisfaction in many directions. It is understood that Senator Platt, of New York, has had his application put on file, carrying with it the endorsement of $200,000,000 of the moneyed interests of New York by the way of merchants, bankers and lawyers. New York is such an important factor in national elections that it is safe to say Mr. Greener's case will be given due consideration. We hope for him success.

THE Washington Post, that distinguished Washington daily that was so eager to serve up Negro cabinet officers for McKinley, if we mistake not, is now showing its cloven foot. The Post in one way or the other, says that it is not the Negro in dirt that gives offense to white people, but the colored dandy with high collar and patent leather shoes, etc. There you are. Those who saw in the Post the "white" Negro Moses, have been taken in.

THE Washington Bee is doing an immense amount of pacifying just now. Its attitude resembles (excuse the homely expression) bacon because it comes in streaks.

GEORGE JACKSON, THE FAMOUS CABMAN.

George Jackson, the now noted cabman, who did or did not drive the cab that fatal night that held in its murky gloom the mystery of Pearl Bryan's death, is now languishing in durance vile in the Springfield, O., jail, convicted for perjury. Jackson writes The Freeman concerning his incarceration in a way not destined to put him in a better light. We may be unduly prejudiced towards Jackson, but The Freeman knows that during the trial that this Jackson paid this city a visit—paying The Freeman office a visit in the mean while. It was on Sunday. The editor was very favorably impressed with the recital of that famous drive, which was gotten up in a manner thrilling enough, but a trifle stagey—proving a method in it all even if true. He has just enough education to prove intensely dangerous; not enough to justify an attempt at redemption, if that course was justifiable. The Freeman, doubtless, would still be more favorable to the enigma had he not left a horrible batch of lies in his wake. It is known by a score of people and the editor of The Freeman that he declared that he came here to bring the result of a legacy to the wife of a well known character of Indiana avenue. He impressed his assertions by declaring that he had been appointed administrator of the estate left by her father. He left the impression that he had successfully closed up the same and had the money to turn over. The woman he did know, it was found out, she having come from Ohio. But he did not have one cent to offer her after making the declaration all day Sunday up and down the street. The husband of the woman was enraged at the merciless, cold blooded way he had of lying and seemingly without cause. For the above reasons we feel that Jackson is the right man in the right place. He forwards this letter which we give verbatim:

SPRINGFIELD O July 23. 1897

TO EDITOR OF FREEMAN
No 127 Indiana Ave
Indianapolis Ind.

MR EDITOR SIR! In my lonely cell No 7 In the clark Co Jail Springfield Ohio Waiting for arguments for a new Trial; I had a trial on the 14th of June Lasting five days In which a jury of Twelve men found much to the surprise Off all whom witnessed the trial also the court Guilty; I had two abl Lawyers Ex Senator T. J. Pringle & Hon J. k. Mower The best in the county, There was heavy Betling on both sides, One juror by the Name of James Evans held out until The Last He is a contractor carpenter One colored Man. Joe Baily by name Who I had some trouble in the Lodge Off Odd. Fellows seven Yrs. ago convicted Me so I heard from a Reporter; I was arrested In Oct. 14th 96. on charge Off Embezzlement. I which case I beat Then for spite work I was rearrested for Perjury. I could not get no trial untill June 14th 97. of which I was convicted I Often thought If we could stand by Our own race like we do for the whites we would prosper. My attorneys will not allow Any reporters to see me at all. The jailer Who's name is Squire Lee is a colored man Treats me with due respects I receive visitors Tuesday and Thursdays. all of the reward I Received except $500 My atty. went to Cinti. O. Last week to collect it from the Authorities, I have made enough since and During the Ft. Thomas Murder trial To keep me all my life. We have Organized A Play called The Cabmans Flight and are Know traveling through the south; I payed Your Office a visit last Sept. when we Showed at the state Fair but you was Not in. I have also my Photoos I would Send you one but I cannot get them until Saturday. I send you notes of the Trial also a Letter from a Female Detective for Publication if you iike. Dear editor I am as Innocent of the charge as you are I remain yours Editor Lewis F C B

P. S. Please send me your paper for one Month and I will pay it

to CAPT GEO H. JACKSON
Springfield O County Jail

In his letter he says he called when the editor was not in. He says nothing of the call when the editor was in. This man may be innocent of the charges against him; he may have testified correctly, but he must make straight the tangled web he wove in this city—in this office. Furthermore, he sends us a letter which he says is from a female detective. How densely obtuse must be his understanding? We do not know the author of the letter. But we do know that the message was heaven sent to him—a poetic sermon. The writing is the loveliest type of feminine gen ility imaginable. The prayer poured out by this Mrs. Johnson, for that is the author's name, is from a heart of love and reason, to one whom she suspects has been tampered with. If he had been tampered with and that prayer poem did not exhaust his resisting powers, then George Jackson is lost. We do not feel justified in reproducing that letter unless it was in that exquisite form, in which her own pen left it, but this we can not do:

COVINGTON, KY., March 15, '97.

MR. GEO. H. JACKSON:
Springfield, O.:

DEAR SIR:—I am prompted to ask you to-right the question which God has asked of the world: "What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses his own soul, or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" Have you ever though of this? You may deceive man for a little while but you cannot deceive God. He knoweth your most innermost thought and when the day of reckoning with Him comes, what will you do? You cannot hide away from His presence, for He holdeth the earth and the sea in the hollow of His hand, and there will be no place to where the wicked may flee. God has said: "Those whom He will redeem will bear His name engraven in their foreheads." Will that sign be upon you? And there shall be no night there, and they need no candle, neither the light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light, and they shall reign in glory forever and ever.

The day will come personally to you when the great voice of God will command you to give an account of all the sins committed in the body. You cannot avoid an answer; you cannot escape from God in any way, and you must speak strictly true and be judged according to the sins committed in the body. Which will you elect to be, one of the bright angels who will dwell forever and ever in the glorious kingdom of God, or will you be of those who will be banished forever to outer darkness, where the sound of bitter wailing and gnashing of teeth will never die out?

My friend, let me ask you to think deeply over this while it is yet time. In four days more it may be everlastingly too late. Only open your mouth to the truth now, and the blessing of God will be upon you and the blessing of every true heart in the world, that the grandness of your manhood has so asserted itself that you dare to throw off the yoke of those who have prompted you to condemn those poor, miserable men to death. The world knows it was not you who originated that tale, every one knows it was made up by white men, and they made you tell it because it put money in their pockets, and they thought no matter for the poor colored man's soul if it is consigned to hell.

There is but one way for you now to throw off the thralldom of those evil persons who have made you serve them even unto the loss of your soul, and speak the truth quickly that a great crime may be averted, and the whole world will commend you for your courage. You will never see another happy moment if you allow those men to be put to death, when one word from you will save them. God knows the secrets of every heart, and He knows you never drove those men to that fatal spot, and ere long He will make it manifest to the world that you spoke untruly, and then it will be too late to save your soul. What would life be to you if every time you closed your eyes in sleep you must see the ghastly forms of those miserable young men, and the moans and bitter groaning of the broken-hearted mothers must sound in your ears forever more?

My friend, flee from the wrath to come. Do not let the icy waters of death lay around your feet, and find you with this great sin to answer for. The Lord is holding His hand out to you now; do not turn away from it, for the roar of the conflict of death will soon sound through the universe and all the world shall listen. The air will be full of the wings of the heavenly angels, and your work shall be done and in the presence of the world you will be condemned for your sins or reclaimed for the crown of Jesus Which shall it be?

Will you rise up again in the image of God, with the crown of victory on your head and the sign of the Lord upon your brow, and take your place by the side of the Savior who trod the wave crests of the sea of Galilee? Speak the truth; speak it quickly, that you may be snatched from the wrath to come. God be with you and enable you to rise in your might for truth.

Respectfully,
MRS. JOHNSON.

Jackson may think we have imposed on him by publishing his private letter. But we feel that his position needs airing. If Jackson is not what he represents, society will be greatly improved by his continued detention.

WE are now getting down to bed rock in this raping business. The cry of wolf does not always mean wolf.

JOHN SHERMAN says that prosperity may not be sudden, but it is sure to come. We will trust John, for he has seen much service. He is acquainted with all the signs of the political horoscope.

THE Negro press comes nigh being unanimous in condemning the lynching system. Well it is very high time. The fear of stirring up strife by too much agitation is dissipated. If you would be saved, save yourself.

To The Blue Grass.

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STREET RAILWAY DEVICES.

Among Them a Scheme to Keep Conductors Honest.

It is many years since Mark Twain's lines immortalizing the enforced punching of variously colored slips by street railway conductors to prevent their "holding up the company" ran riot through the land, and the "buff trip slips," the "pink trip slips" and the "blue trip slips" have long been abandoned by most street railways in favor of the clock faced indicator. This is a fairly good device, but still it may be worked by a clever man not unwilling to divert a few nickels to his own pocket. In Toronto the company has a scheme which, so far as any one knows, has never yet been circumvented by a conductor. Indeed, it is difficult to see how it could be got around without the connivance of a passenger. By this plan the conductor does not touch money or tickets at all. When collecting, he carries around a specially made receptacle into which the passenger must put his own ticket or 5 cent piece. The conductor who violates the company's rules by taking the fare from the passenger and putting it into the fare holder is liable to discharge. At the end of each collection the receptacle is hung upon a special hook and must there remain until more passengers board the car.

The cars of the trolley line between Minneapolis and St. Paul are fitted with admirable appliances to prevent accidents to passengers careless in stepping on and off. At the rear end of each car are folding gates which are under the control of the motorman, who does not open them until the car has reached a full stop and closes them before it starts again. Controlled by the same lever as that which opens and closes the gates are folding steps, which let down when the gates open and close up when they shut.

The managers of this same line have carried the street car advertising notion to a greater length than the managers of most other trolley lines in the United States. In addition to the ordinary space for advertisements over the windows, the backs of the seats are provided with panels for the display of advertising matter. This does not, however, seem to attract the advertisers of the twin cities very much, for the panels are very rarely utilized except for amusement announcements.—Exchange.

HER LIFELIKE STATUE.

It Signalized Her Departure From the World of Artists.

Before her marriage she had been a famous sculptress. She had made several portrait statues of well known men, and every one predicted for her a still more brilliant future, when she suddenly set all predictions at naught by marrying a wealthy man who disapproved of her keeping up her professional work. She was very quiet under this restriction, but was supposed to rebel inwardly. Therefore when at a dinner party one evening she asked her old friend General Bashar to come to see her on the following evening and inspect her last piece of work, which she thought the best and most lifelike she had ever executed, he supposed he was expected to use his influence to prevail upon her husband to permit her to resume her place among the working fraternity of artists.

"I am sure you will like it, general," she said, with a winning smile. "It fairly lives and breathes. I confess I am in love with it myself."

On the appointed evening the general, with some misgivings over the delicacy of the task intrusted to him, presented himself. Instead of inviting him to the studio his hostess, to his surprise, offered to bring her last bit to him.

"Oh, it's a statuette, is it?" he asked.

"Well, yes, you might call it so," she answered, as she went out of the room. In a few minutes she returned, bearing in her arms—a baby!—Chicago Times-Herald.

Mistaken Pride.

Phil May, the artist and caricaturist, tells of a funny experience he had on his return from a tour for the London Graphic:

When I came back to London, I hastened to the office, and imagine my gratification when I saw everywhere resplendent banners bearing the inscription in large letters, "Welcome to May."

"This is indeed fame," I thought, and when I got to The Graphic office there was another inscription, with flowers and all the rest of it, "Welcome to M. and G." The G. worried me a bit, but then the name of the man who went out with me commenced with G.

I told the editor of my gratification.

"Why, you egotistical idiot," he remarked politely, "it's nothing to do with you! It's the marriage of Prince George and Princess May."

The Price of Songs.

The following list shows that a great deal of money is made from popular music in England:

Sir Arthur Sullivan is said to have realized £10,000 by his celebrated song "The Lost Chord." Balfe appears to have received high prices for the copyrights of some of his songs. For "I Dreamt I Dwelt In Marble Halls" he got £8,000, the same for "When Other Lips," and £5,000 for "The Heart Bowed Down." When recently put up for auction, £1,212 15s. was obtained for the copyright of Michael Watson's song "Anchored."—Harper's Round Table.

An English writer says that if the Prussian conscription were applied in India England would have 2,500,000 regular soldiers actually in barracks, with 800,000 recruits coming up every year—a force with which not only Asia but the world might be subdued.

Two branches of the Aberdeen Association For the Distribution of Literature to Settlers in Canada have been formed in Montreal.

Fifty Years Ago.

This is the way it was bound to look
When grandfather had his "picter took."
These were the shadows cast before
The coming of Conjurer Daguerre
And his art; like a girl in a pinafore
Some day to bloom to a goddess fair.
Men certainly were not as black, we know
As they pictured them, 50 years ago.

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began to make new men, just as the new pictures of men began to be made. Thousands of people fronted the camera with skins made clean from blotch and blemish, because they had purified the blood with Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is as powerful now as then. Its record proves it. Others imitate the remedy; they can't imitate the record:

50 Years of Cures.

THE FOUNDER AND FATHER.

Concluded From First Page.

Number of Maids and Pages, 26,800; Total membership, 138,550. Governing departments: 1—International Grand Temple and Tabernacle meets every three years. 2—Ten Grand Temples and Tabernacles meets annually. 3—Three District Grand Temples and Tabernacles meets annually. Subordinate organizations: 650 Temples of Knights of Tabor; 998 Tabernacles of Daughters of Tabor. 67 Palatiums of the Royal House of Media. 258 Tents of Maids and Pages of Honor. Financial: Report from Aug. 1893 to Aug. 1896, Received for fees and dues, $334,480.00; Endowment assessment, $64,625.00; Special taxes, $20,212.00. Total received $419,317,00. Paid out: 1—Paid to sick and distressed members, $192,860.00. 2—Funerals and burials, $29,980.00. 3—Donated to churches, $12,775.50. 4—Endowment paid to heirs, $64,300.00. 5—Rents, fuel and lights, 18,678.10. 6—Miscellaneous expenses, 23,180.25. Total $341,773.85. These figures tell a part of the benefit of uniting a number of people together for mutual aid and protection. A comparison of the above figures shows that the order always has enough in the treasury to meet emergencies.

All of the prominent secret orders were originated by white men, except the International Order of Twelve of Knights and Daughters of Tabor. This order was originated in the brain of a Negro-American. All general laws, constitutions, blanks of all kinds, emblems, regalias, badges, jewels and ritualist works for twelve degrees is original, nothing is taken or borrowed from any order. The management, control and business is entirely in the hands of Colored-Americans. All books, blanks, and rituals are copyrighted by an act of Congress, and on file in the Congressional Library, at Washington, D. C.

TABORIAN REPORTER.

Jubilee Services Rendered.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

Jubilee services, under the auspices of the ladies of Quinn Chapel were held last week beginning Sunday the 18. Great preparations were made and successfully carried out. A special effort was made to raise $10,000 to apply on the church debt. The services began with preaching by Dr. Johnson, editor of the Christian Recorder. Monday night the 19 a reception was held. Mayor Carter Harrison, Hon. John M. Harlan, Hon. R. M. Patterson, visiting dignitaries of the conference and the prominent ministers of the city were present and took part in the program. The growth of the church has been phenominal, it having grown from a mere society of seven in 1847 to a fashionable congregation of 2,000 members, from a penniless organization it has grown to one of wealth and influence.

The present building is situated in a fashionable residence district corner Twenty-fourth and Wabash avenue and was built in 1893 at a cost of $55,000, it being the finest church in the world owned by colored people. Rev. George C. Booth is the present pastor. The jubilee closed with appropriate services. The Ninth Battalion returned from their annual encampment. The Columbia Club picnic, the annual outing of the swell set, was given at Burlington park Tuesday the 20. Seven well filled coaches went out. Mr. Julius Avendort is the president of the organization. The colored soldier was much in evidence at the unvailing of the John A. Logan monument. They won much applause all along the line of march. Miss Prima Fitzbutler, o Louisville, Kentucky, Misses Georia Nance and Lillian Jenkins of Evansville are in the city for the summer. Edw. Green came up from Springfield Monday night. He will spend the week in the city before returning to his post of duty in the Secretary of state office. Mr. Charles D. Lee of Kansas city is the guest of Mr. Charles E. Murray 3246 State street. Sojers and Price the condemmed Negroes in the Cook county jail had their sentences commuted to imprisonment for life by Gov. Tanner. Attorneys W. E. Anderson Dr. J. H. McGhee and Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett are responsible for it.

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James White, comedian, has signed with Richards & Pringle's Georgias.

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Miss Mary Lee, late of Sam T. Jack's Creoles, has joined "Darkest America."

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"Darkest America" will commence rehearsing August 9, at Columbus, O.

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Miss Nannie Lee has signed with Flynn & Sheridan for the coming season.

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Mahara's Mammoth Colored Minstrels begin rehearsing August 5, at Joliet, Ill.

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Wm. Dixon, formerly of the Harry New Quartette, of Indianapolis, Ind., has joined the Diamond Quartette.

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Miss Sallie Lee has been re-engaged, and will introduce a new soubrette turn with "Darkest America," season '97-98.

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Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels opened the season at Racine, Wis., last week. A favorable season is looked forward to.

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The Al. G. Field's Genuine Negro Minstrels after a week's rehearsal at Columbus, O., opened the season July 24, at Piqua, O.

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Gil Garay is spending his vacation in Chicago. He has signed to play the part of "Aunt Becky Beasley" in "Darkest America."

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Shepard N. Edmonds, the phenomenal barytone balladist and expert trapdrummer, may be seen with "Darkest America,"' the coming season.

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The Nicholson Hotel, 18½ Indiana avenue, is the best house in the city. Special rates to the profession. Give him a trial, when playing Indianapolis.

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The Canadian Jubilee Singers and Imperial Orchestra on July 9th, closed a very successful season of forty-two weeks and four days, missing only two days out of the entire season. They are now re-organizing for the coming season, which opens about Sept. 6.

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John Rucker after spending two weeks visiting in Minneapolis, has returned to Columbus, O. Mr. Rucker will this season be the star with "Darkest America," assuming the character of "Uncle Amos Jackson", in which he made thousands laugh last season.

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What will undoubtedly prove the greatest hit in the line of "coon" songs since their institution in the merry world of songs, is an exceptionally catchy melody by Shepard N. Edmonds entitled: "Give Me Your Eye." It is now in the hands of the publishers, and will be featured the coming season by Miss Sallie Lee, of "Darkest America."

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The Diamond Quartette of which J. Ed Green, the American barytone, is manager, have signed with Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels for the coming season; it is composed of the following members: I. N. Smith, Wm. Dixon, J. E. Hood and J. Ed Green. Mr. Green is singing with great success his latest composition, entitled: "The Girl that I Would Wed."

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Charles Hunn, formerly of Hunn & Bohee, died in Providence, R. I., July 15, in his forty-seventh year. He was born in Leavenworth, Kan. In 1883 he was with Callender's Minstrels, and went to England with the company. Years ago he was one of the "Four H's," Hunn, Holcomb, Hawkins and Hart, and at the conclusion of that partnership he joined his brother Ben, under the team name of the Two Hunns. Later was with Tom McIntosh and Mestayer's Toboggan Slide company. He afterward worked some in Gus Hill's Novelties and with Sam T. Jack's Creoles. During the last-named engagement he formed a partnership with May Bohee, which lasted until May 1896.

Business College Commencement.

Lynchburg, Va., Special.

The First Annual Commencement of Smith's Business College took place Wednesday 30 ult., in the presence of an appreciative audience. The scene was a briliant one. The stage was tastefully decorated with flowers. Among those upon the rostrum were Prof. U. S. G. Patterson, Miss H. V. Pankey, Mr. P. Saunders, Miss Clara Alexander, Prin. Moorman's Building School, Mr. and Mrs. Spiller, Miss S. M. Dismond, J. W. Stephenson, Ravenna, Ohio, Rev. J. R. Barrett, of the Presbyterian church, Rev. P. F. Morris, of Court st., Baptist church and Messrs. J. W. Calloway and C. G. Pride. Conferring of diplomas and certificates upon the following: Dress making department, cutting and fitting, Miss K. K. Auderson, Amanda White, Evalina Brown, Carrie C. Smith, Nannie R. Shepherd, M. Isetta George, Lacy J. Isabel, R. L. Winn, Signora Isbell, Penning Course, Miss C. B. Lattimore, Miss L. P. Laws. Special course Miss D. S. Chadwick; Phonographic course, Misses Sallie A. Davenport, Mamie E. White, Pauline A. Hatcher, L. P. Laws, Mrs. M. Belle Scott, Messrs. S. J. Hunter, C. G. Pride; Commercial course, Miss L. P. Laws, Mrs. M. Belle Scott; Honorary mention in music, Miss Virgie Vassar, Master J. P. Morris; Honorary mention in elocution, Miss Virgie Hill. Elequent and appropriate addresses were made by the ministers present. The president, T. P. Smith, in his address stated that the growth of the institution is due to five years experience in close application to business.

Society Happenings.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Mrs, Monroe Jones of California is visiting Mrs. D. Jones in Lauderdale street. Miss E. Sykes of Decatur Alabama spent last week in the city. Mr. Robert Stokes of St. Louis was in the city last week. Collins Chapel S. S. gave its annual picnic at Fitzgivens grove the July 21 with much success. A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Cockrill in Frank street. Miss Ida Powell of Huntsville, Ala., is the guest of Mrs. T. A. Grisby 24 Wilkerson street. The Manhattan Club entertained on August 10. The marriage of Miss G. D. Miller to Dr. C. A. Terrell was celebrated at 7 o'clock on the evening of July 21 at the Salem Baptist church, the pastor, Rev. Louis W., Williams, officiated, after which a small reception was given at the residnce of the bride's parents in George street. The maid of honor was Miss Fannie B. Turner who was becomingly attired and carried white carnations. Mr. Henry R. Saddler of this city was best man. The bride, who possesses many accomplishments as well as much beauty was educated in the Kortrecht high school from which she graduated with honors; since that time she has been teaching in the Georgia street school the groom formerly of Uniontown, Ala., has been in the city about two years. He received his diploma from Mahara medical college at Nashville. The bride wore a tailor made suit of light gray and carried white cornations. The couple left for Nashville the 27 and will occupy their residence at 668 Georgia street. The Misses K. and A. Merriweather will spend the month of August in Chicago, Ill. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Dixon, a boy. Mother and son doing well. A beautiful wedding was solemnized at Avery Chapel, Thursday evening the 22. The contracting parties were Miss Pearl Anderson of this city and George T. Williams of St. Louis. The maid of honor, Miss Ida Miller, wore white organdy, lace and ribbon trimmings and carried lillies of the valley. Mr. Robert Stokes of St. Louis was best man, and the ushers were E. B. Bennet, George Williams, John Hurst and Mr. Posley. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horst, aunt of the bride, refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Williams left Wednesday evening for St. Louis, their future home. One of the events of the past week was the wedding of Rev. William L. Johnson and Miss Emma O. Kennedy which occurred Wednesday at 5 o'clock in the Second Congregational church. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Messrs Cassell, Foote, Clark and Gillis were ribbon bearers followed by flower girls, then came a chorus of eight young ladies singing "Faith and True." Following then entered the bride on the arm of her father. The bridegroom, who had entered with the bride's mother, met the party at the alter where the ceremony was performed by Rev. McClennon of Nashville, Tenn. Estelle J. Washington, sang, "O 'Promise Me" To the strains of Mendelssohns march the bridal party left the church and repaired to the residence of the bride where an impromptu reception was held. Several tables were filled with presents. The flower girls were, Misses Mable Cage, Ringe Washington, Rice Statters, R. Hooks, S. Woodson; Choir girls, Misses E. J. Washington, I. Brown, C. and F. Rivers, L. Dickerson, E. Jones, J. Jackson, L. Greenlee, C. and E. Hamilton. Rev. Johnson and wife will be at home after July 52, 455 Dearborn street, Mobile, Alabama. Mr. and Mrs Wright Moor gave a beautiful informal reception at their beautiful residence in Beale steeet.

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Special reductions in fare over the Pennsylvania Lines will be granted for numerous events to take place this summer in various parts of the United States, in addition to local excursions. Some of the points to which tickets will be sold and dates of sale are as follows:

To Nashville, Tenn., daily to October 15th for Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition.

To Winona Assembly Grounds, Eagle Lake, (near Warsaw, Ind.,) May 15th to August 31st, for Annual Assembly and Summer School.

To Indianapolis, August 17th and 18th for Y. P. C. U. Annual Convention,

To Indianapolis, September 8th and 9th for National Encampment Sons of Veterans.

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THE RIVER OF LIFE.

'Tis a fleeting, changeful river,
Blent of calm and crusted wave,
Flowing in and out forever
'Tween the cradle and the grave.
Changeful river, ever flowing,
Narrower and broader growing,
Flowing, flowing, ever going
Toward the still and solemn sea.

Forms of light and shapes of shadow
Float upon its troubled breast.
Through the moorland and the meadow,
On; the waters will not rest.

Here a bud, by churl hand wrested,
Flung into the angry foam.
There a flower with blooms invested
Plucked and ravished from its home.

Youth and age, and strength and weakness,
Beauty, innocence and sin,
Pride and power, and love and meekness,
All in turn are gathered in.

Time and Death, two grand old warders,
Watch it rise and mark it flow.
Death, upon the still sea's borders,
Bids the ice wind on it blow.

Changeful river fond hearts parting,
In that still and solemn sea
Joined to heal the grief and smarting
Bud and flower with stem shall be.

For o'er Time and Death an angel—
God's strong angel—walks the waves,
Claiming with his trump, Evangel,
All that pass within the grave.

Claiming for his Lord and Master,
By the flaming cross he wears,
All—though battered by disaster—
All the sullen river bears.
Changeful river, ever flowing,
Narrower and broader growing,
Flowing, flowing, ever going
Toward the still and solemn sea.
—C. D. Stuart in New York Ledger.

DONKEY, DOG AND GOAT.

The Three Great Sights of a Transcontinental Journey.

"The three oddest things that I saw outside of New York," said a New Yorker who had gone overland to Denver and returned by water by way of Galveston, "were a donkey, a dog and a goat. The donkey was the motive power of the single bobtail car that goes up the hill on South Broadway, Denver. He was an amusing fellow. After I made my first trip up that steep hill I was astonished to see the conductor unhitch the donkey and put him aboard the car. The dashboard was fitted up as a sort of stall, and he stood there sideways when the car started back down the hill under its own impetus. The donkey's face took on a delighted expression as he found himself in the role of passenger. He really seemed to be grinning at the conductor and the passengers.

"I saw the dog as I was about to enter the Taber Opera House in Denver. The dog was called Bill, and he was part of the outfit of a cigar store in the opera house building. He was a black spaniel. He was rigged up in Zouave trousers and jacket trimmed with gold braid, had a tasseled fez on his head and spectacles on his nose. The oddest thing about him was that he sat on his haunches, with his paws in the air, actually smoking a cigarette like a confirmed cigarette fiend. I found that he had been trained to smoke the cigarettes while the audience was going into the theater as an advertisement of his owner's business. That was the first time I had ever seen a dog smoking.

"I made the acquaintance of the goat in a tobacco factory in Key West. There were 200 Cuban girls there, nearly all of them pretty and all of them smokers or chewers of tobacco. The goat was their particular pet. He was the biggest goat I ever saw, almost as lagge as a Shetland pony, with big branching horns, and perfectly tame. He playfully butted the girls or pranced around among them. His best trick, however, was the larceny of their dinner baskets. He used to go nosing around until he found a particularly choice luncheon. He would knock over the basket, seize the lunch, and dash outdoors with it. No amount of chastisement had ever broken him of the trick. Of course I saw wonderful scenery in the journey, but the donkey and the dog and the goat were by long odds the most interesting living things that I encountered."
—New York Sun.

A Clever Lawyer.

An old lawyer in Paris had instructed a very young client of his to weep every time he struck the desk with his hand. Unfortunately the barrister forgot and struck the desk at the wrong moment. The client fell to sobbing and crying.

"What is the matter with you?" asked the presiding judge.

"Well, he told me to cry as often as he struck the table."

Here was a nice predicament, but the astute lawyer was equal to the occasion. Addressing the jury, he said:

"Well, gentlemen, let me ask you how you can reconcile the idea of crime in conjunction with such candor and simplicity. I await your verdict with the most perfect confidence."—Exchange.

How Boston Owls Hoot.

She had just returned from a visit to Boston.

"Is it true," asked an acquaintance, "that there is an air of culture and educational refinement plainly noticeable in the speech of Boston residents?"

"My dear," she replied impressively, "even the owls around Boston hoot 'To whom!' instead of 'To whoo!' as they do in the west."—Chicago Times-Herald.

A swallow is considered one of the fastest of flying birds, and it was thought until recently that no insect could escape it. A naturalist tells of an exciting chase he saw between a swallow and a dragon fly, which is among the swiftest of insects, the latter finally escaping.

It is stated that animal life appears to be almost absent in the neighborhood of the north pole. Beyond latitude 83 degrees the Fram met with neither whales, seals, walrus nor bears, though dog fishes were seen as high as 85 degrees.

THEY COINED WORDS.

A Young Lady's Interesting Dream of Invention and Wealth.

"Good morning," she said. "You look quite griggish."

"Griggish?" he interrogated. "What kind of a look is that? I—is it—is it anything alarming?"

"Oh, no, silly! Don't you know what griggish means? I manufactured it ages ago out of grig, a grasshopper—something blithe and sprightly, you know. That reminds me, I had the most interesting dream the other night. I dreamed we kept a word store."

"A word store?"

"Yes, we coined words and sold them to the inventors of foods and of typewriters, and"—

"How were they sold, by the yard or by the dozen?" he interrupted.

"Neither way. We sold each word according to the amount of brains expended in inventing it, except the words pertaining to bicycles—they came high, because they were so fashionable. Oh, it was quite a large store, all divided up into departments. There was the bicycle department, the cigar department, the electrical department, the patent medicine department—in fact, all lines were represented in which inventions might be made needing names. You see, we sold a name for so much, and then if the invention proved successful we shared in the profits."

"Well," said the man, "I hope you showed more taste in the matter than the person who invented such words as 'cupograph,' 'mimeograph,' 'comptometer' and 'operaphone'—they give one literary indigestion."

"Oh, yes," she replied, "our coinage was of a much higher order. Of course we had words ending in graph and phone and cycle, but they were exceedingly cheap, and inventors were rather ashamed to be seen buying them. Words like 'pegamoid' came high. I wish I could remember all the lovely names we coined," she went on. "The only one I can think of is 'hamwich,' a substitute for ham sandwich. Don't you think that's choice? I dreamed that we sold it to a restaurant man and he made a mint of money out of it."—Chicago Tribune.

WARFARE OF CLASSES.

Modern Football Mere Play to Yale's Old Freshman-Sophomore Struggle.

The organization and development of intercollegiate athletics now absorb much of the energy that used to be given to the furious internecine warfare of classes. From time immemorial there were mighty games of football on the New Haven green, in which whole classes engaged. The freshmen posted their formal challenge on the bulletin of lyceum, and the supercilious acceptance of the sophomores named the day for the struggle. "Come," cried the class of '60,

> And like sacrifices in their trim
> To the fire eyed maid of smoky war,
> All hot and bleeding will we offer you.

And the Tyrtæus of '58 cheered his mates with the noble lines:

> Let them come on, the baseborn crew!
> Each soil stained churl—alack!
>
> What gain they but a splitten skull,
> A sod for their base back!

On the bloody day appointed both sides massed in heavy column with Napoleonic tactcis, while the New Haven fathers surrounded the field. When the round leather ball was kicked, 200 men clashed together in frantic, shoving, dusty, roaring chaos, the one side striving to kick the ball to the Chapel street fence, the other to force it to the steps of the statehouse. Swift runners hung upon the outskirts to seize the ball chance directed to their feet, and hurry it amid full gazing applause to the goal. But it was in the middle press where deeds were uncrowned, where shirts became streamers and rib squeezed rib until they cracked, that the heroes of war and the college bully were to be found. From this Titanic struggle the degenerates of today have evolved the emasculated game which they call football, a wretched sort of parlor pastime!
—Judge Henry E. Howland in Scribner's.

Turkish Traffic In Slaves.

Slave dealing in Constantinople, as we know, always exists, and the wife of a pasha is not above the wretched business. Richard Davey, in his book, "The Sultan and His Subjects," says:

"A good deal of Turkish traffic in slaves is conducted in the following manner on very well conceived commercial principles: The wife of a pasha, as a matter of speculation, purchases two or three little girls for a trifle, either from a slave dealer or some poor woman, generally a Christian, possibly a Bulgarian refugee who is unable to bring up her own children. The lady educates each child, teaches it those accomplishments which are indispensable to harem life, such as singing, dancing and playing on musical instruments, washing, starching, ironing, embroidery and even a little cookery. To this may be added a smattering of some foreign language and a very elementary knowledge of Turkish caligraphy. When the child is grown up, if she is handsome the lady turns her to account and liberally repays herself for her trouble by selling her at a high figure to some pasha of her acquaintance through the medium of one of the well known old women whose business it is to carry out transactions of that sort."

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Only once have I listened to a speaker who could make a newspaper reporter forget his occupation, and that man was Colonel Edward D. Baker of California, Oregon and the nation.

Colonel Baker was born in England and was brought to America while a child by his parents. His father was a weaver and obtained work in a Philadelphia mill. Young Baker also worked in the mill when he got old enough. Weaving was not to his taste, and as soon as he could he went to Illinois and without the aid of much schooling educated himself, got admitted to the bar and began the practice of the law in middle Illinois, riding in the circuit with Lincoln and winning fame as an orator. He went to Mexico as colonel of an Illinois regiment and won fame at Cerro Gordo. Being attracted to California at an early day, he settled in San Francisco and speedily became famous as a jury lawyer, particularly in criminal cases. So great was his reputation as an orator that the miners would leave their claims and go miles over the mountain trails to hear him speak.

Early in 1860 Colonel Baker determined to try to be elected a United States senator from Oregon. It was a most audacious scheme for a resident of one state to attempt to become a senator from an adjoining state, where he had not even attempted to gain a residence. It would require a little more cheek for a New York man to try to become senator from Connecticut than it did for Colonel Baker to undertake to become senator from Oregon. The very audacity of the scheme commended it to Colonel Baker, and he entered upon the work with great energy. He stumped Oregon before the June election and boldly proclaimed himself a candidate for the senate as a Republican against the celebrated General Joe Lane. The legislature met in the fall, and after a hot fight Colonel Baker was elected senator, with a noted wit, James W. Nesmith, as his colleague.

The news of the election of Senator Baker preceded his return by only a few days, causing great joy to his friends in California, who decided to give him a public reception, a function which in those days meant the assembling of friends to listen to a speech by the honored man. The American theater on Sansome street, with a seating capacity of 3,000 when the stage was arranged for auditors, was engaged for the occasion. On the appointed evening every available seat and bit of standing room was occupied, while hundreds were turned away. Seats at tables were arranged on the stage for half a dozen reporters, among them being a tall, thin, consumptive looking man about 45 years old, named Hart, who had been reporting for newspapers so long that he was supposed to be proof against the wiles of man or woman.

It was stated at the time that as Colonel Baker rode down to the meeting with the committee he remarked:

"I ought to make the speech of my life tonight, but I feel as if I will make a failure."

After the meeting had been formally opened a man about 5 feet 8 inches in height, athletic and erect in build, with a magnificent head scantily covered with gray hair, a smoothly shaven face, aquiline nose, blazing dark eyes, a large neck encircled with a wide Byron collar and wearing dark clothing, was introduced as "Colonel Baker, our senator from Oregon."

As I had never heard Colonel Baker speak, but had had my head filled with stories of his oratorical powers, I sat among the reporters, prejudiced against him by the perversity of my nature, and studied him. For the first 15 minutes I compared him with the noted orators I had heard in the east, my early conclusion being: "If this is 'the great orator of the Pacific' and 'the gray eagle of California,' he is much overrated. I have heard a score of men who excelled him." Then I became interested in the matter and the manner of the orator. His voice rivaled in tone and compass the notes produced by a silver bugle when played by a master, his gestures seemed more appropriate and graceful than those of any speaker I had ever heard, and his utterances were so entrancing that all idea of the flight of time was lost as the ears drank in his words and the eyes watched his graceful movements.

To give you an idea of the power of Colonel Baker's oratory it is enough to relate that Mr. Hart, the case hardened reporter I have mentioned, became so absorbed in the matter and so fascinated by the manner of the orator that he forgot his duty to his newspaper, forgot to take notes, forgot his surroundings and at one climax in the speech jumped from his seat, ran out on the stage, grabbed Colonel Baker round the neck and, amid the tremendous cheering of the great audience, yelled:

"By God, sir, you are right!"

The instant Hart spoke he woke up and, realizing the spectacle he had made of himself, rushed from the stage amid the wild and long continued cheering of the vast audience.

None of the reporters on that stage was ever able to write out more than an occasional paragraph of that two hours' speech made by Colonel Baker, the only one I ever heard him make. Soon afterward he came east to fascinate great crowds in New York by his patriotic utterances, to electrify the senate and the country by his impromptu reply to Breckinridge, delivered while in the mud stained uniform in which he had just come from the field of battle and to die fighting for his adopted country at Ball's Bluff.—P. B. J. in New York Sun.

The Passing of the Noah Baxter.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Since I have read "Noah Baxter's" last article I have concluded that the old man does not exist only in the mind of some bright young Negro writer who wishes to show the pessimists, both young and old, of the race how they look in the eyes of the world—the world in general and the fair minded students of progression in particular. If such is the object of the author of "Pop" Baxter's letters, let me bid him or her to be of good cheer. The dawn of the day when all the Noah Baxters of the race will not impede the wheels of Negro progress is here. These blind old men and selfish young obstructionists will soon be a thing of the past. We will soon be able to say with the poet, they

"Are blotted from the things that be."

The race is progressing; the race is advancing; the race is learning to emulate the white man in business, in science, education, art and enjoyment of the blessings of this life; the American white man's civilization is the American black man's chart of progress, in spite of the Noah Baxters both old and young; may their numbers grow less—their numbers are growing less. Vale Baxters.

B. SQUARE.

Brooklyn, N. Y., July 17, '97.

To Suppress Mob Low.

The National Anti-Mob and Lynch Law Association, with headquarters in Springfield, O., has elected the following officers: National President, Wm. H. Dixon; National Secretary, Samuel E. Huffman; National Organizer, E. T. Butler. The organization is incorporated under the State laws of Ohio. It is proposed to establish branches of the association throughout the country for the purpose of discouraging mobs and to secure such legislation as will insure the suppression entirely of such practices. The office of the association is located at 503 Lagonda avenue, and for all information concerning the association should be addressed to the secretary at the above number.

SAMUEL E. HUFFMAN,
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BRYAN'S PAPER.

The Editor Again Restored to Health

Mr. George W. Hervey, editor of the Weekly Omaha World-Herald, is a perfect picture of health and looks more like the Hervey of other days. To see him now, one can hardly believe that he has been such a great sufferer. He writes of his failing health and recovery, in his characteristic way as follows:

"For several years I was troubled with indigestion so severe as to make it impossible to take more than two meals a day without intense suffering. I grew worse gradually until, July 1895, I was suddenly attacked with increased pain and soreness over the pit of my stomach and sharp pains in my right side which rapidly increased until I could scarcely get my breath. A physician was called for immediate relief and hypodermic injections of morphine were resorted to for relief. I was able to be out in about a week but had a second attack the following August, more intense than before. I was reduced from 156 to 134 lbs. in nine days and left wholly unable to take any nourishment. I lived on lime water and a very little milk for several days after, For one year I carried morphine pellets in my pockets ready for an emergency. All this time my stomach was sore and very sensitive. I discovered that what would agree with my stomach this week would probably not next week and that I was getting nearer and nearer to a final collapse, I consulted 3 of the best physicians in the state and two agreed fully as to my ailment but failed to give me relief. Having utterly failed to obtain relief, I finally made arrangements to go to Chicago to be treated when my little boy chanced to get a sample package of Dr. Kay's Renovator which he brought to me. I was induced to try it, not having the least faith in its virtues. I thought the sample relieved me and I purchased a 25 cent box. Before it was all used I had so improved that I was taking three meals a day, which I had not done for years. I then used one package of the large Dr. Kay's Renovator and one more of the small size. It is eight months since I commenced using Dr. Kay's Renovator and I now have no symptoms whatever of my old trouble. I have recommended it to many of my friends for stomach trouble and I think all have reported relief." Geo. W. Hervy, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 17, 1897. Dr. Kay's Renovator is sold by druggists or sent by mail for 25 cts. and $1. Booklet free Dr. B. J. Kay Medical Co., Omaha, Neb. Sold by H. C. Pomeroy, opp. post office.

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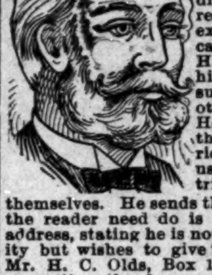

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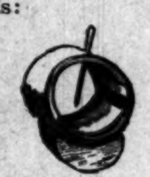

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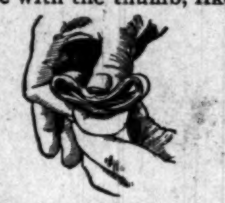

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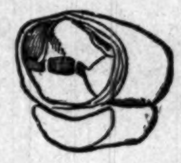

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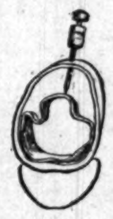

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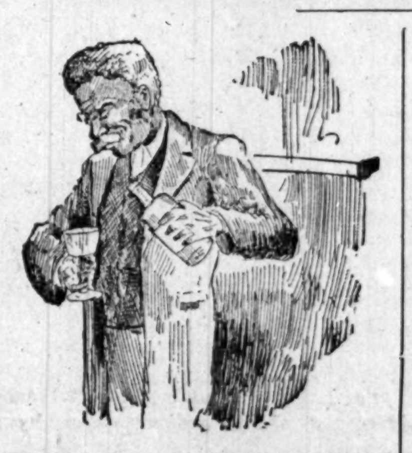

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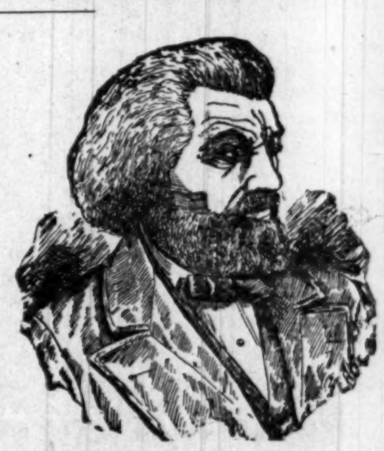

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OUR GIRLS AND BRITONS.

Why American Maidens Are Tempted to Wed Stolid Englishmen.

Why does the American girl marry the Briton? Has she any adequate justification? Do you suppose it pays her, and can such a choice on her part be defended on large grounds as promotive of the greatest good of the greatest number? Is it a fact, as has been flippantly suggested, that she moves to England to get country life because we have no good roads here yet, or, on the contrary, can it be demonstrated that one reason our country roads are so bad is that the American girl cannot abide the country and promptly carries her man off to town at the earliest moment that sees his endeavors blessed with the necessary income? Is it her fault that country interests tend too much to fall to the care of a residuum that is too poor to get away, or has the country life not much to do one way or the other with her British propensities?

To be honest, there are other conceivable reasons for marrying an English gentleman besides his country roads. He may be a charming gentleman—they are said to be so once in awhile—who can win a wife by plain, personal courtship, and whom any woman would be justified in marrying on general principles and without specific excuses, or he may be a good "average" sort of man whose advantage over his American brother is a matter of size or complexion or hale appearance. I have known American women who ventured to assert that the feminine eye rejoiced more in the type of male human that treads the pavements of Piccadilly and Pall Mall than in the contemporaneous pedestrians of Fifth avenue and Broadway.

Or maybe it is his superior stolidity that electrifies in the Briton. It is to be feared that there is truth in that tale Mr. Kipling or somebody was telling of how phlegmatic merchants of the east had discovered that the way to beat the American was simply to put him off and let him fret himself reckless. Stolidity is not quite the same as repose, but to persons who are suffering from an acute dearth of repose it may appeal as a tolerable substitute, so that one can imagine an American maid, worn with the restless aspirations of her high pressure countrymen, turning with sincere relief to pillow her fair young head upon a bosom behind which lurked no threat of heart failure.—North American Review.

A Sparrow Prima Donna.

M. Mingaud, a naturalist of Nimes, France, gives, in La Revue Scientifique, an interesting account of the musical accomplishments of a sparrow in his collection of living birds. He captured the sparrow soon after it had been hatched and fed it by hand until it could care for itself. Then he placed it in a cage containing a chaffinch, a goldfinch and two canaries. After a time the sparrow learned to warble like the finches and to trill like the canaries, the imitations being so perfect as to deceive the ear. In spring M. Mingaud is accustomed to keep a box of crickets near his birdcages. Two days after the crickets had been placed near the cage containing the sparrow the latter began to imitate their cry, intermingling it with its songs. Even after the crickets had long been dead the sparrow remembred its lesson and continued to repeat their cry. None of the other birds attempted to imitate the crickets. Singularly enough, the sparrow never utters the peculiar squalling cry of its own species, having been removed from its nest too early, apparently, to have learned it.

Orsini's Headaches.

Dr. Lees told one amusing story about Orsini at Blaydon Hall, which showed the latter as a very simple man. Orsini, at one time, complained every morning of his head. "I 'ave one bad headache," he used to say at breakfast to Mrs. Cowen. One night Joseph Cowen detected a strong smell of gas proceeding from Orsini's room. He went to see what was the matter and found the explanation of Orsini's bad headaches. The room was quite dark, and the gas had not been turned off. "What did you do with the gas?" asked Cowen. "Blew him out," said Orsini, who had never seen a gas burner before. The headaches then ceased. They were effectually cured some months later at the instance of the emperor of the French.—Westminster Gazette.

Very Romantic.

"Wasn't that romantic?" said the elderly maiden boarder.

"Wasn't what romantic?" growled the bachelor boarder, as there was no one else at the table to pay attention to the lady's question.

"Here is a story of a man who put down his wife's name in his tax list and valued her at $1,000,000."

"Huh! I'll bet he is figuring on letting the taxes go delinquent and having her sold."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Within the last decade the population of Europe has increased by about 30,000,000, of whom Russia contributed 12,510,000 and France only 67,000.

The Austrians are great smokers. The daily consumption of matches in that country is 20 for each inhabitant.

UNCLE NOAH BAXTER AGAIN.

How the Negro Problem is to be Solved —Hints on the Race in General— Dr. De?ansure Writes.

MARBLE FALLS TEX July 18 '97.

BROTHER KNOXS DEAR SIR.

before the honnerble Mr. thompson and the : hon : mr square say a work or leistwise fore some one sides them say a word : course i know i Has them Kill dead mr : editor : let me say a Word more on my Pint : the young race of Culdid Folks or Culled Pepil is Going Back warts fast in 100 Years the Negro Race Will Be Dyed Out : let Me give You another Piece tooken From a Shecargo nusepapper : here it is mr : editor : sir :

"Dr. De Saussure, of South Carolina, has discovered that the Negro problem, if there is one, is to be solved without the need of any more lynchings and other Southern excitements. The race, he finds, is dying out. In Africa the quarre over the black man's territory will lead to his extermination on his own soil, just as the wrangles over our territory have extinguished the Indian. He has figured to support his statement, the excess of deaths over births being remarkable. It is a well ascertained fact that society dies at the top, like a tree that is forced by artificial conditions to an uncommon and spindling height. Exceeding civilization is too much for it, just as excessive poverty is. The brain seems to be unable to endure the strain imposed by social requirements. That is the case at present, but of course, the average of the race is constantly improving, so that the child of the future will be able to stand more than the child of the present and will not be killed by his education.

"The Negro has never shown reremarkable aptitude for mental improvement and the enforced education of these days, as well as his life in cities under conditions unlike those of slavery times, when he that comes from reading and study. Most of all, it demands the cultivation that gives grace and dignity and inspires respect and confidence, for, unless the physician has this he may as well retire from practice. Cheerfulness is one of the most important factors in the doctor's equipment, next to an authoritative knowledge of his business. He must secure the compliance of his patient, or his patient will not obey his instructions, and will, moreover, suffer an aggravation of his complaint through worriment, lest he is not getting the proper treatment. Indeed the success gained by a good many physicians of the second grade of skill has been that of personality inforced by a broad scholarship. The law properly assumes that the doctor of medieine has at least the mental equipment of the average mechanic and laborer, and it is entirely right in seeing that its assumption is lived up to."

Now : brother knoxs dear Sir : does you think Square and Thompson can keep they Pece and Not re Ply to my Last 2 letters. Yours for the Progress of the Race NOAH BAXTER

A New Enterprise.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Mrs. Sarah Smith, deaf and dumb, was run over Thursday afternoon by a buggy at Preston and Green streets, cutting an arm off and crushing her left jaw. The ambulance conveyed her home at Floyd and Pearl. She is very low. Mrs. Hattie Carter, aged forty-eight years, died last Fridav morning at theCity Hospital from a complication of diseases; she formerly lived at 722 West street, from which place she was ejected for non-payment of rent after several months illness. She was found lying in the streets on a mattress. The Humane Society are at work investigating the matter, and some trouble may come from it. Joseph R. Knowles, an aggressive and progressive young man from Nashville, Tenn., has opened a bicycle repair and renting establishment in this city. This is the only colored man in the business here. Members of the various clubs are enthusiastic over the enterprise, and are showing a willingness to aid him.

The children's band of the Fifth Baptist church, composed of more than seventy children, ranging in ages from three to ten years, gathered to enjoy themselves at a party given for their benefit by Mrs. Alice Crutcher at her residence, 925 Thirteenth street, last Thursday evening. The affair was a pleasant one. Miss Patsy Anderson gave a lawn fete at her residence, 1420 West Green street, the 26th ult. The report that was afloat last week regarding some proposed changes in the appointments of the teachers in our High School was false. Attorney I. C. Townsend was assaulted in his office last week by D. J. Bonner, whom he had arrested thereafter and was given a fine of $20 Mrs. Wallace Thomas gave a lawn fete at her residence, 1525 Second street the 28th ult. An enjoyable time was spent by her friends. Miss Katie Johnson, sister of Mrs. Wallace Thomas 1525 Second street, is in the city from West Superior, Maine on a visit. Mrs. Sarah Gray is at the bedside of her sick sister in Memphis, Ind. Mrs. Susie Moore, who has been visiting friends in this city, returned to her home in Paducah the 17th. Miss Prima A. Fitzbutler is visiting friends in Chicago and St. Paul. Mrs G. W. Lee of Lynchburg, Va., is the guest of Mrs. Wm. Brown, 805 Eleventh street. Mrs. Mamie E. Steward is visiting friends in Chicago. Prof. and Mrs. C. F. Snead are in the city, spending their vacation. Miss Lucretia Lawson of Shelbyville, passed through the city en route to Indianapolis to visit her many friends and relatives. W. G. Moore is city agent for The Freeman. Mrs. Anna Graham of Clarksville, Tenn., passed through the city last week en route to New York City to visit her sister Miss S G. Murfree and mother. Misses Florence and Myrtle Nunn spent last week in Indianapolis. Wm. Martin has returned from a pleasant trip to Lexington, Ky. The Quinn Chapel church picnic to Sugar Grove last Monday was a financial success. Prof. W. H. Perry has returned from Milwaukee and the Northwest, where he has been combining business with pleasure. Hon. A. S. White has returned from a business trip to Chicago. Wm. Jordan has been on the sick list. The General Baptist Association will hold their annual meeting here on August 8-15 inclusive. Excursions will be here from many towns throughout the state. Mrs. D. D. Hunter has arrived from Indianapolis. The Epworth League organized at Jackson street church last week elected J. D. Long president, and a corps of voices under him. D, D. Hunter has charge of the musical department. Over fifty members took part in the organization.

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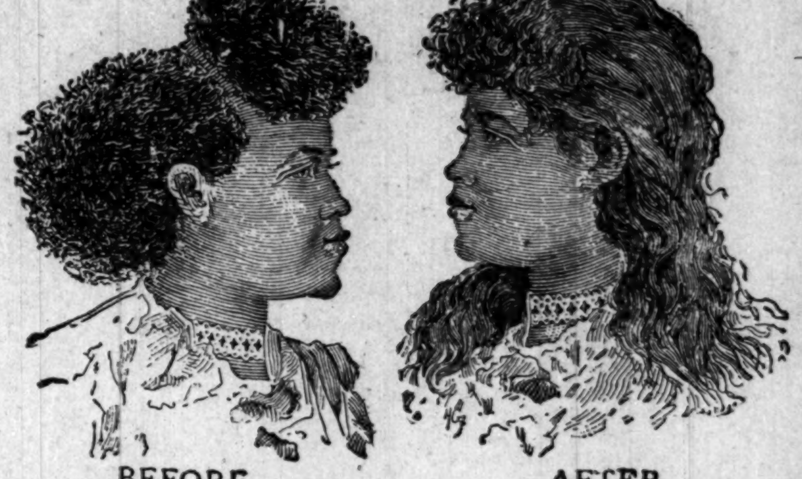

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PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

A. L. Stewart, of Bloomington, is visiting in the city.

A. H. Reynolds, the evangelist, of Louisville, Ky., is in the city.

Rev. I. M. Kimbrough, of Marion, was in the city a few days this week.

Messrs. A. Y. King and E. Rickman, both of Muncie, spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. Ella Lewis is spending the summer in Marshall Mich. She will return Sept. 1 st.

Mrs. McElrath and daughter have returned from Boston, Mass., for permanent residence.

The Golden Rule Social Club will have its annual outing Friday, August 6, at Fairview Park.

Mrs. Margaret Jordan, of Marion, Ind., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jerry Taylor in West street.

Mrs. Geo. Morgan and son, of Harrodsburg, Ky., are visiting her siste Mrs. G. M. Reese, of 422 N. Noble st.

Mr. Will Beeler, of Danville, Ill., who has been visiting friends in the city for several days, returned home Monday night.

A. Myrtle Harris, a member of the Freeman forces, left Tuesday for Monmouth, Ill., where she will spend her vacation, visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Will Pollard, who has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Ida Johnson, in Wood street, the past two months, returned to her home in Louisville, Ky., last Sunday.

Rev. D. A. Graham. Elizabeth Edward, Mr. and Mrs. John Puryear, Mrs. Jacob Porter, and Miss Jessie Clay have returned from Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

Chas. Jordan, accompanied by Louis Schooler and Philip Miller, of Chicago, are spending a few days in the city. They leave in a few days for Atlantic City and other eastern points.

The Golden Rod Club met with Mrs. T. Cheatham, Thursday, July 8th. The ladies were highly entertained by thr hostess. The greetings of the club have been suspended until the 1st Friday in September.

Last week the Golden Rule Social Club met with Mrs. Roxie Dixon, the occasion being her 42nd birthday. She received many useful and beautiful presents from the members. Refreshments were served in abundance.

In company with Rev. A. L. Murray, pastor of Allen Chapel, Rev. Jas. A. Davis, presiding elder of the Nashville Tennesse District, paid the Freeman office a pleasant call Tuesday. Rev. Davis left Wednesday for Franklin, Ind., to visit his parents.

The Golden Rule Social Club met with Mrs. Jane Bell, N. West street last Friday afternoon. A paper was read by Mrs. Dora Paine, subject: "Historical events of the 19th Century." A beautiful and tempting menu was served by the hostess.

The Lawn Fete given by the Golden Rod club at the residence of Mrs. Humes. Friday, July 9th, was a success financially. The ladies wish to extend their many thanks to the South side people, both young and old for their patronage, also to the host and hostess for their hospitality.

The Bcquet Circle held its final meeting, Monday evening, July 19th, at the residence of the president, Mrs. G. L. Lane in Cornel avenue. The meeting was largely attended and after hearing reports from the various officers, the ladies decided to hold an outing at Garfield Park, July 29th. After this the members will enjoy a vacation until Sept. 3rd.

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The ladies were attired in white, with white and green wreaths forming a unique and artistic head-dress. These ladies were all seated in highly polished carriages with prancing steeds, and liveried coachmen, and presented a a beautifully sight as they rolled through the principle streets of the city.

Women, it is said, are by nature frivolous and possessed of many peculiar traits, even though they occupy the honored position of queens and princess, and these dear good lodge sisters were by no means an exception to the rule. When these carriage were engaged by these ladies, it is alleged, they made a special request to have no colored coachmen. This sounds inharmonious and inconsistent. We cannot understand why a colored coachman could not handle the ribbons as deftly for this august assembly as for other large and imposing bodies that gather here from time to time.

NINTH PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

Preaching at 11 A. M. and at 8 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. William O. White. Sunday school at 2:30. The Public is invited to all the services. There will be a grand rally Sunday, Aug. 8th, to raise money to get our pastor settled.

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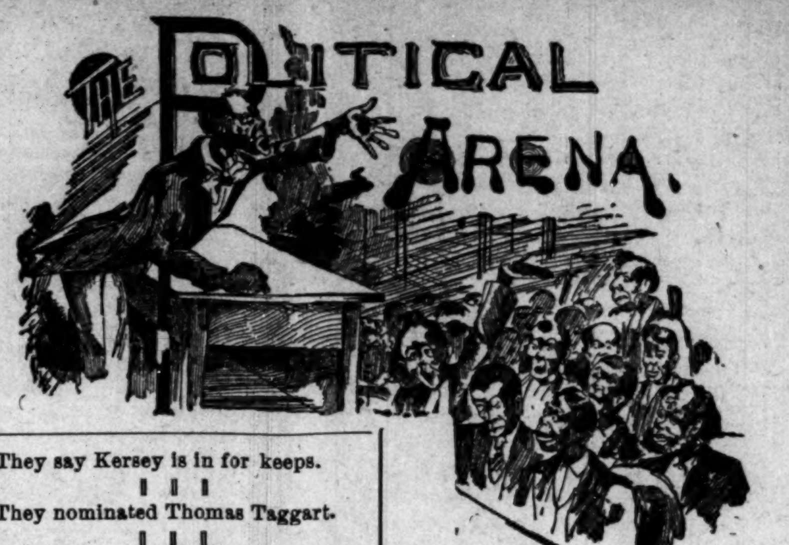
CHEAP TRIP EAST.

To Philadelphia via Pennsylvania Lines.

Excursion tickets to Philadelphia will be sold via Pennsylvania Lines Aug. 2, 3, and 4, account the L. A. W. meet. The low rate will not be restricted to members of that organization, but anybody may take advantage of them. It will be a good chance for former Pennsylvanians to visit their old homes or friends in the eastern end of the Keystone State. The route is over the cool Allegheny Mountains, through Harrisburg and Lancaster. For full information regarding rates, time of trains and other details apply to nearest Ticket Agent of the Pennsylvania Lines.


THE POLITICAL ARENA.

They say Kersey is in for keeps.

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They nominated Thomas Taggart.

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Wesley Gerard is the new chairman of the Republican County Central committee.

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It is either Bookwalter, Harding, Ransdell, New or Voss for Mayor. They will all do.

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The Herculeans are faring well at this time under the presidency of Capt. Buckner. Dr. Sumner Furniss holds the money bags.

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Manning, Hill, and L. E. Christy are the remains of the Democratic stalwarts. Omitting this little discrepancy these gentlemen will do.

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The mention of G. L. Knox for mayor of Indianapolis was without his consent. He is content to run the greatest Negro paper in the country.

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W. H. Jackson, better known as "Big Jack" of the county auditor's office, is now known as the modern Warwick, the king maker. Jackson is known for his political infalibility.

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Mr. W. D. Collins has been added to the board of directors of the Herculean club. Mr. Collins has talents in certain lines that may prove beneficial to the club.

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Mr. Allen Simms of the Treasurer's office is about to build a cosy cottage, moving his present residence to the rear. Allen is all right.

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It is not safe to wage race wars every place. There will come a time when even a worm will turn over. Brute force is not always that even; brute force; it is futility when it aspires to that very often.

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The taciturn Walden of kingly proportions still keeps his chair warm in the sheriff's office. If he lived in Africa he would be elected king on the first ballot. He is what might be termed a sure shot.

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Mr. Joseph H. Broyles of Recorder Shilling's office is said to be the most efficient financial secretary the Herculean club ever had. Mr. Broyles is a great big souled individual endowed with the tact of making friends. These are all needed in politics.

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John Owens, our only druggest, bears a marked resemblance to the chief member of Dickens' Pickwick club. If he was a singer and did he sing bass he would be known as a basso robusto. These are contingencies to be true but they are alright.

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They do say that Chas. Baughman of the Post Office has capitalistic tendencies. He enjoys the reputation of having bought all the late W. D. McCoy's properties. He had always the reputation of carrying a long purse and a long head with it. He is better known as Charles, the elegant.

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Hon. George Washington Cheatham feels that he is a political wizard. He desired to go to the legislature in the place of Jones. It does one good to hear him tell just how he would have managed things. By the way the legislative bee in his bonnet is not dead yet. He may yet wake up some morning a legislator elect from the great metropolis of Indianapolis.

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Chevalier Bagby still trods the boards in the county clerks office. Bagby is what you might call amusing. He has a habit which you might call the "sly poke" which action is attended with the merry twinkle of the eye, that says much more than he expresses in words. Bagby is a Chesterfield in personal deportment as a rule. If his neck feathers are ever turned the wrong way he never shows it.

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Mr. John Puryear, our own John, the councilman is back after basking for about a fortnight on the sunny slopes of the Atlantic. He comes back fresh and vigorous, the result of his contact with salt water and the sea breezes. It has been rumored that he had a dangerous case of sea-sickness while looking intently on the broad expanse of blue. He is back like the other big guns to look after his fences. He represents what was once the "bloody" 4th.

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Dr. S. A. Elbert is again on his native heath. After a siege of rheumatism, he is again smiling and adorning his old corner. It is hard to conceive of the doctor that he should be elsewhere. He dreams o'nights of his own far away Bahia, while the imaginary aroma of Rio coffee punctuates his visions, and bridless horses and long horned cattle roam at will over his frame and Bahia 10,000 miles away.—A la Sheridan's ride.

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The Count of Indianapolis, Mr. Elwood Knox, has been initiated into the mysteries of politics. National politics is his theatre of activities.

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Well there's Wm. Christy, a red hot republican, a reclamation, by the way, but the hotter for it. He and a white republican were custodians of the city department of the court house. But the republicans failed to dove tail their administration so Billy, as he likes to be known, politically speaking, was unjointed at the same time. Since then he has taken it in his head to become the proprietor of a barber shop. He has made plenty of money; knows how to keep it, consequently he can gratify any modest ambition on his part.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

New Allen Chapel is now the "Battle Cry." Contrary to all expectation the opening was a decided success. From early morn until night members and friends, disregarding the inclemency of the weather poured into the new temple of worship, dedicated to God. New Allen Chapel is not a mere magnificent monument of African Methodism, adorned with the splendor of art, but the idea and plan of the whole structure; in its minutest parts; every cipher, are clearly indicative and profoundly symbolical of that invisible temple, that divine Kingdom of peace, which Christ came to establish on earth. The trustrees of this church must be congratulated for their inflexible perseverance; their unrelenting activity; that unshaken constancy; the vigilant use of every advantageous opportunity which lent to the success of this great undertaking.

Rev. C.C. Townsend, presiding elder, preached in the afternoon to the largest crowd ever gathered within the walls of the church. Like Chrysostom of old, his clear penetrating voice pierced the very walls of the structure. His appeals to depraved humanity, were forcible, eloquent, logical, and effective. To say the least, his remarks, characterized as they were as a dedicatory address, were well received and highly appreciated.

Dr. James A. Davis, formerly pastor of Allen Chapel, but now presiding elder of the Nashville District, Tennessee Conference, preached an able discourse at night. It was a fitting climax of the day's services. Religion, science, art, and literature, were so nicely interwoven in his sermon, that the careful listener could preceive harmony, in God's works, and that all human development has in the back ground a designer who created the forces of nature for man's benefit and utilization. The choir deserves especial mention. Never did it discourse such sweet strains. The solos and choruses evidenced that careful and competent hands had trained them. The music consecrated, as it was, to divine service, reached the hearts and affections of the most marble hearted, and as the sweet strains were wafted upon the breezes, the angels caught the sweet refrain and carried the news to heaven, when the host of Allen Chapel chanted the chorus, "Praise God from Whom all Blessings flow."

To the ministers of the city too much praise cannot be given. The imaginary lines of denominationalism are certainly in the back ground. The broad spirit of Christianity predominates. The visiting brethren entered into the duties assigned them with that liberality of spirit, which was noticeable by every one and has caused so much favorable comment.

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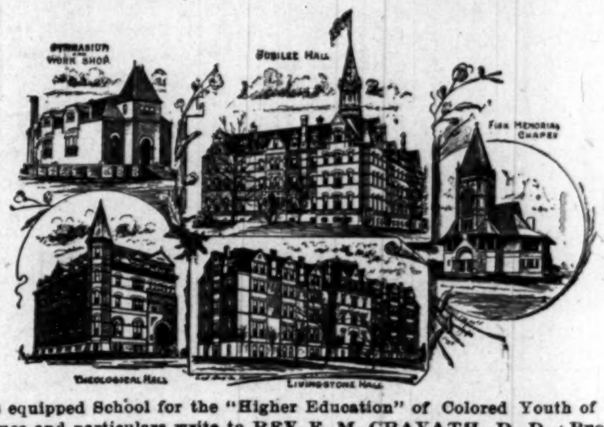

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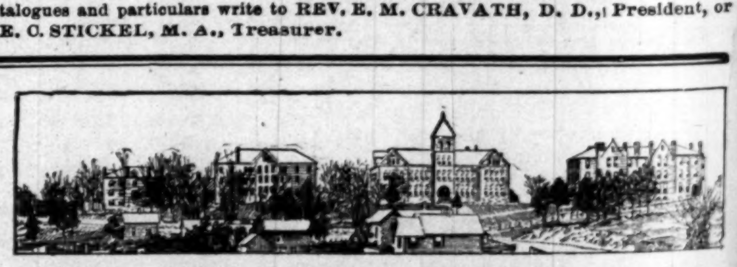

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